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Memoranda of the Annual Meetings.

<i>Year.</i>	<i>Place.</i>	<i>Moderator.</i>	<i>Scribe.</i>	<i>Preacher.</i>
1842	Jackson,	Rev. M. Harrison,	Rev. H. S. Hamilton,	Rev. H. S. Hamilton.
1843	Grass Lake,	" O. C. Thompson,	" Luther Shaw,	Joseph Barris.
1844	Marshall,	" S. Cochrane,	" Harvey Hyde,	O. C. Thompson.
1845	Detroit,	" Harvey Hyde,	" H. L. Hammond,	Sylvester Cochrane.
1846	Dexter,	" H. L. Hammond,	" G. L. Foster,	Harvey Hyde.
1847	Jackson,	" G. L. Foster,	" C. Lockwood,	H. L. Hammond.
1848	Ann Arbor,	" L. Smith Hobart,	" Harvey Hyde,	G. L. Foster.
1849	Dexter,	" C. Lockwood,	" H. D. Kitchell,	A. S. Kedzie.
1850	Kalamazoo,	" H. D. Kitchell,	" D. M. Bardwell,	C. Lockwood.
1851	Clinton,	" A. S. Kedzie,	" E. M. Bartlett,	H. D. Kitchel.
1852	Jackson,	" P. R. Hurd,	" L. Smith Hobart,	A. S. Kedzie.
1853	Ann Arbor,	" J. H. Benton,	" H. L. Hammond,	P. R. Hurd.
1854	Detroit,	" J. D. Pierce,	" G. M. Tuthill,	Leonard Bacon.
1855	Kalamazoo,	" Thomas Jones,	" Hiram Elmer,	John D. Pierce
1856	Jackson,	" Hiram Elmer,	" P. R. Hurd,	Thomas Jones.
1857	Owosso,	" Edward Taylor,	Dea. Dexter Mussey,	Hiram Elmer.
1858	Adrian,	" Joseph Anderson,	Mr. Henry S. Clubb,	E. Taylor.
1859	Detroit,	" Asa Mahan,	Rev. P. R. Hurd,	J. Anderson.
1860	Port Huron,	" S. S. N. Greeley,	" P. R. Hurd,	Asa Mahan.
1861	Ann Arbor,	" H. A. Reed,	" Hiram Elmer,	S. S. N. Greeley.
1862	Grand Rapids,	" G. M. Tuthill,	" Henry Bates,	H. A. Read.
1863	Union City,	" John Patchin,	" Samuel Sessions,	Geo. M. Tuthill.
1864	Detroit,	" James S. Hoyt,	" L. F. Waldo,	John Patchin.
1865	Battle Creek,	" S. W. Streeter,	" L. F. Waldo,	J. S. Hoyt.
1866	Jackson,	" Henry Bates,	" W. B. Williams,	S. W. Streeter.
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1868	Port Huron,	" N. J. Morrison,	" Elizur Andrus,	W. P. Russell.
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1872	Hudson,	" Jesse W. Hough,	" E. G. Chaddock,	H. L. Hubbell.
1873	Lansing,	" Orange H. Spoor,	" J. Wing Allen,	W. D. Love.
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An Act for the Organization of Corporate Congregational Churches.

Act 53, Public Acts of Michigan, 1901.

The People of the State of Michigan enact:

SECTION 1. That it shall be lawful for any number of persons of full age, not less than five, who may desire to form themselves into a Congregational church, to execute and acknowledge before any person authorized to take acknowledgment of deeds, articles of association, in writing, whereby they shall agree to organize a church, according to the faith and usages of the churches commonly called Congregational, under the name and style set forth in said articles of association, which articles shall contain the following items:

First, The name of said church;

Second, The township, village or city, and the county in which said church shall be located;

Third, An agreement to worship and labor together as a church according to the faith and usages of the churches commonly called Congregational.

SEC. 2. The persons who shall have signed the said articles of association may, at their discretion, elect at the time and place of signing the articles, or designate by majority vote some other time and place for electing by ballot, and by majority vote, such number of persons, not less than three nor more than twelve, as they may deem necessary, to serve as trustees of the said church until their successors shall be elected, a majority of whom shall be members of the said church; one-third of such trustees shall, at the first election, be chosen for three years, one-third for two years, and one-third for one year, as near as may be; but thereafter, except to fill vacancies, they shall be chosen for three years; of which election a full record shall be made, and a certified copy of such record, signed by the presiding officer and the secretary of the meeting held for such election, together with the said articles of association, shall be recorded by the clerk of the county wherein such church or their place of worship shall be located, in a book by him provided for that purpose; and such clerk shall be entitled to ten cents for each folio for recording the same. When such articles of association and the certificate of the record of the said election of trustees shall have been so filed for record in the county clerk's office, the trustees so chosen and their successors in office shall become thereby and be a body corporate by the name expressed in the said articles of association, with all the rights and privileges appertaining to religious corporations of this order.

SEC. 3. It shall be lawful for said church at any regular or called meeting of its members, due notice having been given as hereinafter provided, by a two-thirds majority of the ballots cast at such meeting, to alter or amend its articles of association, in any manner not inconsistent with the provisions of this act; and such alteration or amendment shall become operative when a copy of the same, duly certified by the presiding officer and the clerk of such meeting, and acknowledged before any person authorized to take acknowledgment of deeds, shall be filed with the clerk of the county for record.

SEC. 4. It shall not be lawful for any one to vote in the meetings of such corporate church after the first elections of trustees, on questions touching the church as a corporate body--such as the choice of trustees, or pastor, or treasurer, or clerk, or committees, the pastor's salary, the acquisition, lease, mortgage, sale, of real and personal property, the building, repairing, removal, enlarging and sale of church and parsonage buildings, or whatever else pertains to the said church as a legal corporation--unless such person shall be of legal age, shall be a member of such church in regular standing, and shall have attended the worship of said church stately for six months, and contributed regularly according to the custom thereof to the support of such church for one year next preceding the time when such vote is offered: Provided, That if the church shall not have been organized so long, or has for any cause suspended worship for a season, the voters at the time of organization or of suspension shall be entitled to vote the same as if worship and payment had been had during the preceding year.

SEC. 5. When a meeting of the said church shall be called for the transaction of any business relating to the church as a corporate body, as specified in the preceding section of this act, notice of the same, specifying the time, place, object or objects, of the meeting, shall be read from the pulpit on the two successive Sundays on which services shall be held preceding such meeting; but in case it is proposed to alter or amend the articles of association, the proposed alteration or amendment shall be read from the pulpit three successive Sundays at which services shall be held preceding the meeting at which action is to be taken thereon, and the said amendment or alteration shall not itself be amended, in any material point, in the same meeting at which it is adopted. Provided, That if there shall be no public services at which the said notice may be given, then notices of the said meetings may be posted on the church door or published in the town, city or county newspaper, whose circulation among the members is greatest, for three weeks preceding such meeting, specifying time, place, and object of said meeting.

SEC. 6. Those entitled to vote under section 4 of this act shall have power to choose, call and settle a pastor, and to ascertain and fix his salary; to elect, by ballot, trustees, treasurer and clerk; to instruct the trustees to lease, buy, sell, convey or mortgage real estate; to rent, buy, build, repair, enlarge, sell or transfer school, parsonage or church buildings or other buildings needful for church, parsonage, school or cemetery purposes; and to control the action of all officers and committees as it may deem wise; but it shall do these things only in meetings duly called for the purpose, as provided for in section 5 in this act. Other matters, not specified in this section, which pertain to the corporate affairs of the church, may be left to the discretion of the trustees.

SEC. 7. The trustees may have a common seal, and may alter the same; they may, in their corporate name, sue and be sued in all courts and places; and they may recover and hold all the debts, demands, rights and privileges, and all property, whether real or personal, of whatever sort it may be, belonging or appertaining to said church, in whatever manner the same may have been acquired, and in whose hands soever the same may be held, the same as if the right and title had been originally vested in said trustees. And they may hold in trust and in perpetuity so much land as may be needful for the proper purpose of the said church, not exceeding five acres; and they may hold for a period not exceeding fifteen years real estate which may be lawfully conveyed or bequeathed to them, or to the said church, or to the Sunday school connected with the said church of which they are trustees, to be sold and

the proceeds to be used in any way for the benefit of said church or Sunday school, or both conjointly; but if such real estate be not disposed of and the proceeds applied as directed in the conveyance or bequest in the said period of fifteen years, the same shall revert to the grantor, his heirs or assigns. The trustees are subject to the control of the church, as provided in section 6 of this act, and they shall report all their proceedings to the church, for the information and approval of the same. The trustees shall be elected by ballot at the annual meeting, except to fill vacancies, and the notice of such meeting shall name the trustees whose terms of office expire at the close of said meeting, and whose places are to be filled.

SEC. 8. If any church shall at any time be without trustees, for any cause, such church shall not in consequence lose its corporate existence; but said church may, at any time within six years, proceed to elect trustees, as provided for in this act, who shall be the successors in all respects of those previously chosen, and shall be possessed of all their rights and property, real and personal, the same as if no break in the succession had occurred; but in case a church shall become extinct and shall be declared extinct by vote of the association of churches to which it belonged at the time of its extinction, then the property of said church, real and personal, together with all funds held in trust by it or by its trustees or deacons, either for the said church or for any school connected with it, or for a pastor's library, or for any other purpose, shall revert to the "Michigan Congregational Association," a body duly incorporated under the laws of Michigan, whose trustees shall take and hold the same in trust for said extinct church, in case it shall revive within six years from the time it was declared extinct by the association to which it belonged; but in case the church shall not be revived within six years the trustees of the said Michigan Congregational Association shall hold the same in trust, or dispose of said property or funds at their discretion, and apply the income or the proceeds of the sale to the building of churches or parsonages, or to the prosecution of missionary work within the State or country, or for any other purpose for which the property before was used, according to the discretion of said trustees; Provided, That all bequests or funds received from said church shall be sacredly used for the object or objects for which they were given, except those given for the benefit of said extinct church, which shall be used by said trustees as above provided. This section shall apply to any extinct Congregational church whether incorporated or in connection with an incorporated religious or ecclesiastical society.

SEC. 9. Any Congregational church, heretofore incorporated, and separate from a religious or ecclesiastical society or heretofore consolidated with its ecclesiastical society, may at a duly called meeting for the purpose, and by a two-thirds vote of those present and voting, place itself under the provisions of this act, the same as if incorporated under it.

SEC. 10. In all cases that may arise in any of the courts of the state touching churches incorporated under this act, or which by vote have put themselves under its provisions, whether cases in law or in equity, all other acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith shall be interpreted and construed in such manner as to give full force to all the rights and privileges hereby granted by this act to corporate churches.

SEC. 11. This act is ordered to take immediate effect.

Approved April 9, 1901.

An Act for the Consolidation in Congregational Churches of an Ecclesiastical Society With Its Church.

Act 47, Public Acts of Michigan, 1901.

The People of the State of Michigan enact:

SECTION 1. That when any Congregational church which has a religious or ecclesiastical society with corporate powers in connection with it, shall, by a two-thirds vote of those entitled to vote therein and voting, at a meeting duly called for the purpose, express by ballot a desire to assume said corporate powers and manage all its affairs, both temporal and spiritual, it shall be the duty of the trustees of the said religious or ecclesiastical society, upon receiving official notice of said vote, at any time within three months after receiving such notice, to call a meeting of the said religious or ecclesiastical society, due notice for three weeks being given, for the purpose of effecting a union of said church and religious society; and the notice calling such meeting of the religious society shall specify the following objects of the said meeting, together with the time and place where the meeting is to be held, namely:

First, For the purpose of consolidating the religious society with the church in connection, shall the name of the society be changed to that of the church in connection?

Two, For the same purpose shall the membership of the society, after the expiration of one year from the time of this vote, be limited to the members of the church in connection, of legal age; or to such members together with the pew holders in said church, if otherwise qualified to vote?

Three, For the same purpose shall the time and place of holding the annual and other meetings of the religious society be so changed as to coincide with the time and place of holding the annual and other meetings of the church in connection?

SEC. 2. If these questions shall be answered in the affirmative by a two-thirds vote of the legal members of the religious society present and voting, and by ballot, at said meeting, then the said religious society shall thereby be consolidated with the church in connection, and the two shall thereafter be one body incorporate, possessed of all the records, rights, property, funds and franchises belonging to the said church and its religious society before their union in one corporate body.

SEC. 3. Any church governed according to the rules and usages of the Congregational denomination within the state, with which its religious society has been consolidated under the provisions of this act, shall be subject the provisions of the act, entitled "An act for the organization of corporate Congregational churches," the same as if it had been originally organized under the said act.

Approved April 8, 1901.

ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION.

ARTICLE I.

The name of this corporation shall be the Michigan Congregational Conference.

ARTICLE II.

The object of this Conference is and shall be, in general, the propagation of the religious faith and ecclesiastical polity of the Congregational Churches in connection with the said Conference, and with "The National Council of the Congregational Churches of the United States," and for the carrying out of this object, the reception, holding, investing, reinvesting and disbursement of such moneys and properties as may be given or bequeathed to it for any purposes within the scope of the Conference and more particularly the following:—

- (1) The planting and nurturing of Sunday Schools of said faith and order.
- (2) The planting and aiding of churches of said faith and order.
- (3) The helping of churches of said faith and order in erecting houses of worship and parsonages.
- (4) The careful oversight of the churches of said faith and order in conjunction with advisory committees chosen by the local associations of churches.
- (5) The relief of disabled ministers of said faith and order and of their families.
- (6) The extension of Christianity in foreign lands; the furtherance of Christian education; and co-operation with all the benevolent interests of said faith and order.
- (7) The providing for the training and examination of such applicants for licensure and ordination within said faith and order as have not received the collegiate and seminary education.
- (8) The providing a bureau of ministerial supply.
- (9) The collection and preservation of results of councils, and of records, minutes, books, etc., pertaining to churches and ministers of said faith and order.
- (10) The doing of whatever else may foster the growth, or promote the welfare or the interests of said faith and order, not inconsistent with the laws of the State of Michigan or of the United States.

ARTICLE III.

Members.—SECTION 1. Every Congregational church connected with a local Association in this State is entitled to representation in this Conference by its pastor, if a member in regular standing in some local association in this State, and by one delegate to be chosen by such church annually.

SEC. 2. All officers of the Conference, all ministers in regular standing in any local Association in the State, and all who may be members of the Board of Trustees in regular standing during any part of the annual State meeting are entitled to membership in the Conference.

ARTICLE IV.

Meetings.—The annual meeting of this Conference shall be held at such place as shall have been selected at the previous meeting, and shall begin on the third Tuesday in May, at 7:30 p. m.; if any exigency arise, which, in the unanimous opinion of the moderator, registrar and scribe, requires a special meeting of the Conference, or a change in either the time or place of the annual meeting thereof, it shall be competent for these officers to call such special meeting, or to make such change of time or place of holding the annual meeting, by giving thirty days' notice to the clerks of the churches and to the ministerial members. Notice of a special meeting must state its purposes.

ARTICLE V.

Quorum.—Thirty-five members shall be a quorum for the transaction of business.

ARTICLE VI.

Trustees.—The Board of Trustees of this Conference shall be composed of one representative from each local association of Congregational churches and ministers, one from each new association as formed, and four to be chosen from the state at large, provided that at least one-third of the entire number shall be laymen. They shall be elected by ballot on Wednesday, the second day of the meeting of the Conference. At the first election one-third shall be elected for a term of three years, one-third for two years and one-third for one year, and thereafter one-third for a term of three years and shall hold office until their successors are elected and qualified. No trustee shall be eligible for re-election after having served two consecutive terms until he shall have been out of office at least one year, it being construed that election for a portion of a term is equivalent to the full term. Said trustees shall annually elect ten members of their number as an Executive Committee, who shall have such power as may be vested in them by the Board of Trustees. The Board shall have power to fill vacancies in their membership until the next meeting of the Conference.

The Board of Trustees shall have charge of the property of the Conference, and shall transact either directly or through their Executive Committee, all of the affairs thereof, except as otherwise provided. They shall receive, hold, control, invest, reinvest and expend all the moneys or property given or bequeathed in trust or otherwise to the said Michigan Congregational Conference and shall apply the same, or the proceeds thereof, to the work of said Conference, or to such branch thereof as may be designated in the will, bequest or trust, in accordance with the laws of the State. The Trustees shall, by every means within their power, promote each and all of the objects of the Conference stated in Article II, and shall make annual report to the Conference of the administration of the funds, the work accomplished and the existing condition in each department of effort, and shall recommend such appropriation of moneys, the creation of such agencies and the initiation of such measures as in their judgment shall be best adapted to promote the interests of the said several departments. They shall carry into effect the action of the Conference upon their recommendations, but the appointment, oversight and control of all such agencies shall be vested in the Trustees and their Executive Committee, provided that any appointment of a superintendent shall be subject to confirmation of the Conference. A majority of the members elect of said Board shall constitute a quorum.

ARTICLE VII.

Said conference may hold real and personal property not to exceed in value the sum of \$100,000.00 to be devoted exclusively to the purposes set forth in Article II.

ARTICLE VIII.

These Articles may be amended at any regular meeting of the Conference by a two-thirds vote of the members present, due notice having been given at the previous annual meeting, designating the subject and article to be affected.

ARTICLE IX.

The term of existence of this corporation is fixed at thirty years from the twelfth day of May, A. D. 1886.

CONSTITUTION.

(As amended June 9, 1910.)

PREAMBLE.

The Michigan Congregational Conference in voluntary fellowship for the promotion of the Church of Christ through common consecration and co-operation, makes confession of its devout faith in one God, our Father in Heaven, who has manifested himself to the world in Jesus Christ, His Son, our Lord, and in living fellowship abides in His children through His Spirit, our guide and comforter; and, believing that the principles of the Congregational system of church government are best adapted to the promotion of the welfare of the Christian church, and believing, moreover, that the extension and efficiency of the system would be greatly promoted by organizing a general Conference of the Congregational churches and ministers of Michigan, we therefore, to form such a Conference adopt the following:

CONSTITUTION.

ARTICLE I.

Name.—This Ecclesiastical Organization shall be called The Michigan Congregational Conference.

ARTICLE II.

Object.—The object of this Conference shall be as stated in the Articles of Association. It will aim to promote Christian fellowship among its members; to obtain and disseminate information relative to the churches throughout the State, our country and the world; and by prayers, counsels and faithful efforts, to advance the cause of truth and holiness, but it shall exercise no ecclesiastical control or authority over the churches and ministers belonging to it.

ARTICLE III.

Membership.—SECTION 1. The membership of this Conference shall be set forth in the Articles of Association.

SEC. 2. Any member of full legal age of any Congregational church connected with a local association in the State shall be eligible to election to any office in the Conference.

ARTICLE IV.

Officers.—SECTION 1. The officers of this conference shall be a moderator, assistant moderator, scribe, and auditor, elected annually by ballot, and assistant scribe chosen *viva voce* at each meeting. There shall also be a registrar and a treasurer elected triennially by ballot.

Duties of Officers.—SEC. 2. (1) The duties of moderator, assistant moderator, scribe and auditor shall be such as usually pertain to these offices.

(2) It shall be the duty of the registrar to keep a true record of all meetings and transactions of the Conference; to give due notice of the time and place of each meeting; to furnish churches with schedules for annual reports; to receive and distribute all schedules of statistics, programs and year books; to superintend the publishing of the minutes, and such other printing connected with his department as the Conference may order. He shall furnish the Conference, the Board of Trustees, the Executive Committee, and the local associations any information required by them on all matters relating to his department. For these services he shall receive such compensation as the trustees shall direct.

(3) The registrar of each local association shall be requested by conference with the advisory committee of that association, or by correspondence with the churches, to gather and send to the registrar of this Conference, after the meeting of the local association next preceding the meeting of this Conference, such a statement of the facts regarding the progress of the churches and the methods of their life and work as he may be able to gather, and the registrar shall, from these statements and from other available sources, present to the Conference such a general view of methods, of efforts and of progress, or the contrary, as he shall judge best fitted to stimulate the life and work of the churches of the State.

(4) The treasurer shall receive all moneys, shall be the custodian of all funds, and shall disburse the same upon the order of the Board of Trustees or their Executive Committee. He shall make an annual report of his doings to the Conference, accompanied by the auditor's certificate of the correctness of his accounts. He shall also give bonds for the faithful discharge of his duties in such sum as the Board of Trustees shall require and his compensation shall be determined by vote of the trustees.

ARTICLE V.

Meetings.—The annual meeting of this Conference shall be held at such place as shall have been selected at the previous meeting, and shall begin on the third Tuesday of May, at 7.30 p. m., and continue to such hour as the Business Committee may determine. If any exigency shall arise, which, in the unanimous opinion of the moderator, registrar and scribe, requires a special meeting of this body, or change in either the time or place of the annual meeting thereof, it shall be competent for these officers to call such special meeting, or to make such change upon giving thirty days' notice to the clerks of the churches and to the ministerial members. Notice of a special meeting must state its purpose.

ARTICLE VI.

Quorum.—Thirty-five members shall be a quorum for the transaction of business.

ARTICLE VII.

Trustees.—The number, method of election, powers and duties of the trustees shall be as prescribed in the articles of association of the Conference. They shall also have power to appoint, subject to the confirmation of the Conference, a Superintendent, who shall not be a member of the board, and who shall hold office during the pleasure of the board, but not for more than one year upon one appointment. The Board of Trustees or their Executive Committee shall also have power to fill any vacancy in

any of the offices or committees of the Conference until the next annual meeting of the Conference.

It shall also be the function of this board to act as a consulting body and bureau of information in regard to all of the Congregational interests of the State; to co-operate with and supplement the work of the advisory committees in the local associations; to gather and keep on file all available information in regard to churches and ministers; to advise in matters submitted to them by the local associations their advisory or other committees, or by the churches and ministers; and in general, to unify and strengthen the churches, to elevate the standard of the ministry, and to promote the spirit of Christian fellowship. *Provided*, that in no way shall their action limit or interfere with the rights and liberties of the local churches.

It shall also be the duty of this board to keep in close touch with Christian institutions of learning, and to seek, by active measures, to inspire and promote to our churches, schools and homes, the gathering of worthy and competent recruits for the ministry.

ARTICLE VIII.

Superintendent.—A superintendent shall be appointed by the Trustees, at their meeting next preceding the annual meeting of the Conference, and subject to confirmation by the Conference, who shall have general oversight and direction of the work in the State, modified and restricted only by the powers given to the Trustees or their Executive Committee and such rules as they may adopt. The superintendent shall receive such compensation as may be fixed by the Trustees, subject to the approval of the Conference.

ARTICLE IX.

Committees.—SECTION 1. There shall be elected a Business Committee of six, three of whom shall serve for two years, three for one year, and thereafter three shall be chosen annually for a term of two years. One of the committee shall be the minister of the church with which the Conference votes next to meet. It shall be the duty of this Committee to arrange for and prepare a program and order of business for all meetings to be held by the Conference, and place a docket of the same in the hands of the moderator. Any member may introduce items of business but all business not previously submitted to the Business Committee shall be referred to this committee to be reported on before final adjournment.

SEC. 2. There shall be a Nominating Committee of four, to be elected by ballot, two to serve two years, two to serve one year, and thereafter two to be chosen annually for a term of two years, whose duty it shall be to make all nominations not otherwise provided for, and to keep a record of all the nominations confirmed by the Conference in a book to be provided by the registrar.

SEC. 3. An Obituary Committee of three shall be chosen annually, who shall make a fit report to this Conference of the service of those ministers who at their death were, or long had been, members of the body, and such lay members who had rendered conspicuous service to our churches.

SEC. 4. Such other committees as may be needed shall be appointed by the Conference or by the Board of Trustees, and any member of full legal age of any Congregational church within the State shall be eligible for such service.

ARTICLE X.

National Council.—This Conference appreciating the fellowship of the churches, and the need of comprehensive plans for advancing the Redeemer's Kingdom, will be represented by delegates in the National Council of Congregational Churches.

ARTICLE XI.

Amendments.—This constitution may be changed or amended at any regular meeting of the Conference by a two-thirds vote of the members present, provided notice shall have been given at the previous annual meeting, designating the subject and article to be affected.

B Y - L A W S.

1. *Organization.*—The annual meeting shall be opened by the moderator or assistant, or, in their absence, the registrar or the minister of the church with which the Conference meets shall call the members to order, and shall preside until a moderator pro tem is chosen. Wednesday morning the Conference shall be organized by making a roll of members and electing scribes for the meeting. The moderator and assistant moderator shall be elected on the last day of the meeting and shall serve through the year and until their successors are elected.

2. *Roll.*—On the first evening of the meeting the registrar shall circulate and collect cards on which the ministers and delegates entitled to membership shall write their names, together with the names, respectively of their church and local associations. The registrar shall, from these cards, complete the roll and report such early the next day.

3. *Advisory Members.*—Only the business committee shall propose the names of advisory members.

4. *Conduct of Business.*—(1) Each session shall be opened and closed with prayer. The minutes shall be read for approval on the morning of each day and at the close of the meeting.

(2) The usage of like deliberative bodies shall be observed in the conduct of business, except as otherwise provided.

(3) When a motion is under debate, no motion shall be received except for adjournment, amendment, postponement, commitment division of the question, yeas and nays, or the previous question, viz.: SHALL THE MAIN QUESTION NOW BE PUT? and these motions, except for amendment, shall not be debated.

(4) In debate, no member, without leave of the body, shall speak more than ten minutes, nor more than once while others wish to occupy the floor.

5. *Apportionment.*—It is recommended that each local association pay, through its registrar to the treasurer of this Conference, at its annual meeting, whatever money may remain unpaid, of the amount apportioned to the churches of such association.

6. *Committees.*—Members of committees holding over from year to year shall be *ex officio* members of the Conference during their term of office.

7. *Delegates to the National Council.*—At each meeting of this Conference previous to a National Council, and on the third day of the meeting, delegates and alternates, half of each to be laymen, shall be chosen by ballot to represent the churches of this state in the next National Council. Vacancies that occur in the delegation may be filled by the business committee; but, in case this committee fail to appoint, the vacancies shall be filled by the delegation present at the session of the Council. And it shall be the duty of any delegate who may not be able to attend said Council, to notify, at his earliest convenience, the person first named on the business committee.

8. *Roll to be Furnished Nominating Committee.*—It shall be the duty of the registrar, early in the session of the body, to furnish the nominating committee a copy of the roll of members.

9. *Suspension of Rules.*—Any of these rules, except the tenth, may be suspended by a vote of two-thirds of the members present.

10. *Amendment of Rules.*—Any motion to amend or repeal any rule of this body may be read on two different days, and may be debated at each reading. At the first reading the question shall be: SHALL IT BE READ A SECOND TIME?

RESOLUTION.

Resolution adopted at the annual meeting May 18-20, 1909: That the annual meeting of the Board of Trustees be held as a stated policy on the opening day of the meeting of the State Conference for consultation and for action upon such matters as shall require attention.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

In accordance with the provisions of the Articles of Association and the Constitution of the Michigan Congregational Conference it is recommended to the churches and local associations that provision be made for the appointment of local advisory committees in the associations to act in conjunction with the trustees of the state body; it is also recommended that provision be made according to specifications given herewith for the examination, licensure and ordination of candidates for the ministry.

These recommendations pertain first to the appointment of local association advisory committees. It is recommended:

I. That each local association appoint a committee to be called the Advisory Committee, consisting of five members, of which the Moderator and Registrar of the associations shall be members *ex officiis*, and three other members, to be elected at the annual meeting, as follows: At the first election one member to be elected for one year, one for two years and one for three years; and thereafter one to be elected each year to serve three years. It is urged that special care be taken to secure the most competent membership for the Committee.

II. The functions of this Committee to be—

1. To know the churches and ministers within the bounds of the association, their character, needs, and conditions, and to keep a record of the same corrected to date and filed with the registrar.

2. To hold itself in readiness at all times to assist, inform, advise, and suggest, upon request, in cases where a change of pastorate, the organization of a church, the consolidation of fields or other exigencies affecting the common welfare of our churches, may call for such action.

3. To be in active and constant communication with the Board of Trustees of the State Conference; filing with it its local information; gathering from its larger files wider information; reporting to it at once any changes in fields or men; making investigation at its request, and aiding in all possible ways its effort to know Congregational life.

4. To act in conjunction with the pastor of the church where a meeting of the association is to be held, as the program committee; with a view to suggesting, from its knowledge of the field, vital and practical topics, presenting plans of progress or extension, and increasing the interest among both clerical and lay members of our churches, in the meetings and work of the association.

5. To be the Missionary Committee of the association.

These recommendations pertain second, to ordination and examination on the Course of Study.

I. Inasmuch as under our present system ministerial standing vests in the local association, it is recommended that to the same body be

accorded the function of passing, after due examination, upon the credentials and fitness of candidates for ordination. It is suggested that the procedure be as follows:

1. A church seeking to induct into its pastorate a man who has not been ordained, may present the candidate for examination at a meeting of the local association with which the church is connected; notice of such intention having been previously given to the Registrar and printed on the program of the association meeting.

2. The said association to examine the candidate thus presented in regard to his intellectual, moral and spiritual fitness for the ministry, and if approved, to present a certificate of such approval to him and to the church presenting him.

3. Upon the basis of such certificate the church to proceed, either then or thereafter, to the ordination of the candidate through a council of fellowship; the same being either the association or a group of churches selected by the church and the candidate.

II. Inasmuch as this Conference has provided a course of study for those applicants for ordination who have not received collegiate and seminary education, it is recommended that, for the sake of uniformity, the examination of candidates on this course of study be conducted by a committee of the State Conference; and that the certificate of said committee that he has completed this course satisfactorily shall be required in all such cases by the local associations before it proceed to his examination for ordination.

COURSE OF STUDY.

Resolutions adopted at the annual meeting May 18-20, 1909: We endorse the resolution from your Committee on Examination and Course of Study that all Licentiates appear for examination at the annual meeting of the Conference before the Central Committee. We further recommend that such Licentiates be enrolled as First Year, Second Year, Third Year candidates as the case may be, and that they be held to the Course of Study in such a way that it may be completed within the prescribed period.

The Course is divided into two parts, covering topics of examination and books for reading. It is arranged for three periods of one year each.

FIRST YEAR.

Study Course. — Scott & Denney's Elementary English Composition; Willett & Campbell's The Teachings of the Books; Gilbert's Student's Life of Jesus; Kent's History of the Hebrew People, Vols. 1 and 2; Dexter's Story of the Pilgrims; A Written Sermon.

Reading Course—Beecher's Yale Lectures on Preaching; Butterfield's Chapters in Rural Progress; Lawrence's How to Conduct a Sunday School; Gladden's The Church and Modern Life; Crooker's The Church of Today; Dewhurst's The Investment of Truth.

SECOND YEAR.

Study Course — Stevens' Biblical Theology of New Testament; Kautszch's History of the Literature of the Old Testament; Kent's History of the Jewish People, Vols. 3 and 4; Clark's An Outline of Christian

Theology, Part I-III; Fisher's History of the Christian Church to the Modern Era; Essay Covering Rauschenbusch's "Christianity and the Social Crisis."

Reading Course—Mead's Modern Methods in Church Work; Davenport's Primitive Traits in Religious Revivals; Gordon's Through Man to God; Leonard's One Hundred Years of Missions.

THIRD YEAR.

Study Course.—Matthew's History of the Old Testament Times; Piepenbring's Theology of Old Testament; Clarke's An Outline of Christian Theology, Part IV-VI; Fisher's History of the Christian Church from the Modern Era; Dunning's Congregationalism in America; Essay on the History of the Doctrine of the Atonement.

Reading Course. — Munger's Life of Bushnell; Nash's Genesis of the Social Conscience; King's The Seeming Unreality of the Spiritual Life; Coe's The Spiritual Life; Hamlin's Life and Times.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED AT THE ANNUAL MEETING, MAY 16-18, 1911.

That the Committee on Examination and Course of Study be instructed to hold the examination of licentiates on the opening day of the Conference.

LETTERS-MISSIVE AND OTHER FORMS.

I. LETTER-MISSIVE OF A LOCAL CHURCH TO A LOCAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE EXAMINATION OF CANDIDATE FOR ORDINATION.

The Church in
To the Churches composing the Association

Greeting:

DEAR BRETHREN—This church led by its best judgment and, as it believes with the Divine approval, desires to present Mr. to the Association at its forthcoming meeting in on the of 19...., as a candidate for Ordination to the Christian Ministry, and requests that he may be examined at that time in regard to his intellectual, moral and spiritual fitness for that office, and if approved, that he may be granted the customary certificate.

Wishing you grace, mercy and peace, we are yours in the fellowship of the churches.

} Committee.

NOTE 1. This letter is to be sent to the registrar of the association at least three weeks previous to the meeting of the association at which time it is desired that action be taken, and by him read to the churches convened.

2. If the church wishes the candidate to be ordained by the association at the same session in which he has been examined, it may add the following clause to the above letter.

"And the church further requests that the association proceed at this same session to the formal service of ordination."

3. Notice of the examination, and of the ordination, if that is to take place at the same session, should be printed in the program of the association meeting; hence the necessity of three weeks' notice to the registrar.

4. If it is necessary, for any pressing reason, to call a special meeting of the association for the examination of a candidate, a request that such a meeting be called should be sent to the registrar, and when it is called by the moderator and registrar, and the date assigned, the above letter should be sent to the registrar at least two weeks before the time set for the meeting.

II. LETTER-MISSIVE TO THE CHURCHES FOR AN ORDAINING COUNCIL.

(To be sent to the churches of the Association with which the church issuing it is connected, or, if preferred, to a group of churches selected by the said church and the candidate for ordination.)

The Church in
To the Church in

Greeting:

DEAR BRETHREN—This church having presented Mr. to the Association for examination, and said

Association having duly examined and approved him as qualified to become a Christian minister, we hereby invite your attendance, by your pastor and a delegate, at our house of worship on 19 at o'clock, to examine our proceedings in the case and if approved to assist us in the service of ordination.

Wishing you grace, mercy and peace, we are yours in the fellowship of the churches.

{ Committee.

The other churches invited are:

(If it is the churches of the Association, it is only necessary to state that fact; if it is a selected group of churches, they should all be named; if it is the churches of the Association, with the addition of others, name the additional ones.)

III. ORDINATION CERTIFICATE OF ASSOCIATION.

This certifies that Mr. _____ having been examined by this Association, at a meeting held on the _____ of _____, 19____, at _____ as to his preparation and qualifications for the ministry of our Congregational Churches, is hereby approved and recommended for ordination.

(Signed)

Moderator.

Registrar.

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IV. CERTIFICATE OF EXAMINING COMMITTEE OF STATE CONFERENCE.

(Authorized to examine applicants for ordination who have taken the course of study prescribed by the Conference.)

This certifies that Mr. having been examined by this Committee relative to his studies in connection with the course prescribed by the Michigan Congregational Conference, is found to have pursued the same faithfully and understandingly; and he is hereby approved as a candidate for the ordination examination of the local Association.

(Signed)

{ Committee.

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MICHIGAN CONGREGATIONAL CONFERENCE.

Seventieth Annual Meeting with the First Church in Port Huron,
May 16-18, 1911.

PROGRAM.

Moderator—Rev. B. H. Burtt, Ludington, Presiding.

TUESDAY EVENING, MAY 16.

7:30—Devotional Service.

Sermon—Rev. F. H. Foster, Olivet.

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper—
Offering for Ministerial Relief Fund.

WEDNESDAY MORNING, MAY 17.

8:30—Business Session.

Organization.

Report of Registrar on the State of the Churches.

Report of Superintendent.

Report of Treasurer.

Report of Board of Trustees.

Report of Committees.

Election of Trustees.

10:00—Devotional Service Rev. Henry H. Walker, Chicago, Ill.

10:30—Religious Education and the American Home,

a. The Situation in Respect to the American Home,

Rev. Walter B. Dickinson, Kalamazoo

b. The Situation in Respect to the Children of the Church,

Rev. St. Clare Parsons, Vermontville

Discussion.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON, MAY 17.

2:00—Business.

Report of the Committee on Interdenominational Comity.

3:00—Devotional Service Rev. Henry H. Walker, Chicago, Ill.

3:30—Report of the National Council,

a. The Apportionment Plan Mr. Frank E. Bogart, Detroit
Rev. A. N. Hitchcock, Chicago, Ill.

b. The Centennial of the American Board,

Rev. Bastian Smits, Jackson

Discussion.

WEDNESDAY EVENING, MAY 17.

7:30—Address—The Missionary Problem and the Modern Church,

Rev. Herbert L. Willett, Chicago, Ill.

7:30—Overflow Meeting at Ross Memorial Church,

Address by Rev. C. L. Queen, Morenci

THURSDAY MORNING, MAY 18.

8:30—Business.
 Election of Moderator and Assistant Moderator.

9:00—Annual Meeting of the Michigan Home Missionary Society.

9:30—Devotional Service - - - Rev. Henry H. Walker, Chicago, Ill.

10:00—Home Field,

- a. The Church in the Heart of a Great City,
 Rev. A. McCallum, Mt. Hope Church, Detroit
- b. The Church in a Decadent Lumber Town,
 Rev. G. E. Brown, Chippewa Lake
- c. Our Swedish-Finnish Work,
 Rev. C. G. Thompson, Ironwood
- d. The Church on a Remote Island,
 Rev. G. D. Strickland, Drummond Island
- e. The Church in the Country,
 Rev. Fred Errington, Long Rapids
- f. The Together Spirit - - - Mrs. C. R. Wilson
 President of the Woman's Home Missionary Union of Michigan

THURSDAY AFTERNOON, MAY 18.

2:00—Report of Committee on Examination and Course of Study.
 Reports from Educational Institutions:
 Olivet College,
 Benzonia Academy,
 Chicago Theological Seminary.

Ministerial Relief, - - - Rev. Wm. A. Rice, New York

3:00—Devotional Service - - - Rev. Henry H. Walker, Chicago, Ill.

3:30—Religious Education and the American Home,
 c. The Situation in Respect to the Church and the Modern City,
 Rev. N. S. Bradley, Saginaw

d. The Situation in Respect to the Church and the Rural Home,
 Rev. J. Percival Huget, Detroit

Discussion.

5:00—Annual Meeting of the Michigan Congregational Brotherhood,
 Mr. L. P. Haight, Muskegon, Presiding
 Business.
 Reports from Brotherhood Presidents.
 Election of Officers.

THURSDAY EVENING, MAY 18.

6:00—Brotherhood Banquet.

7:30—Brotherhood Meeting.
 Reports.
 Address - - - - - Rev. J. Percival Huget, Detroit

MINUTES.

The seventieth annual meeting of the Michigan Congregational Conference convened Tuesday evening, May 16, 1911, at 7:30 p. m., in the First Congregational church of Port Huron, the Moderator, the Rev. B. H. Burtt, of Ludington, presiding.

The scripture lesson was read by Rev. A. H. Stoneman, of St. Joseph. Prayer was offered by Rev. C. S. Patton, of Ann Arbor.

On account of the sickness of Rev. James S. Williamson, of Lansing, who had been chosen to give the Associational sermon, Prof. F. H. Foster, of Olivet, preached on the text Isa. 6:8, "Whom shall I send and who will go for us?"

The annual offering for Ministerial Relief amounted to \$23.25.

The sacrament of the Lord's Supper was administered by Rev. John Lambrecht, of Port Huron, and Rev. Wm. Wiedenhoeft, of Stanton.

The benediction was pronounced by Prof. F. H. Foster.

WEDNESDAY MORNING, MAY 17.

The Conference was called to order at 8:30 by the Moderator, Rev. B. H. Burtt. Rev. F. R. Bush offered prayer. The Registrar, Mr. C. A. Gower, read the names of registered ministerial members and delegates, from which it appeared that a quorum was present, and the Conference was declared legally constituted. The membership roll when completed was as follows:

CHEBOYGAN ASSOCIATION.

CHURCH.	MINISTER.	DELEGATE.
Charlevoix	H. A. Putnam	
Ironton	H. A. Putnam	

LICENTIATES.

Alba	Burton D. Snook
Johannesburg	Harold Heafield
Kalkaska	P. Arthur Arnold

DETROIT ASSOCIATION.

CHURCH.	MINISTER.	DELEGATE.
Detroit, First.....	J. Percival Huget	George M. Lane
" Fort Street.....	W. H. Warren	
" N. Wood'rd Av.....	Wm. Byron Forbush.....	J. H. Beazell
" Boulevard	Wm. J. Jacobs.....	Mrs. Wm. J. Jacobs
" Brewster	Mac H. Wallace	
Flat Rock	J. F. Hutchinson	
Metamora	Lewis C. Frost	Mrs. Lewis C. Frost
Newport	J. F. Hutchinson	
Rochester	James C. Hageman	
Rockwood	J. F. Hutchinson	
Royal Oak.....	W. I. St. John	George Blackmon
Utica	J. M. Turner	Miss Cleo Green
Wayne		W. T. Heywood
Wyandotte.....	C. W. Jones.....	M. Willhahn

LICENTIATES.

Detroit, Highland Park.....	C. C. Lowther
" Mt. Hope	Archie McCallum
Oxford	Roy K. Nevins
Ministerial Members—J. W. Sutherland, D. C. McNair, Albert T. Swing	

EASTERN ASSOCIATION.

Almont	George P. Endy	Mrs. E. L. Sawyer
Carsonville	George E. Brown	Geo. E. Houghtby
Columbus		H. J. Vogt
Imlay City	T. C. Williams	Mrs. T. C. Williams
Memphis	E. H. Eppens	
New Baltimore		Mrs. J. M. MacLeod
New Haven		Miss Alice M. Bates
Port Huron, First	Wm. J. Campbell	N. Cawthorne
Port Huron, Ross Mem.	John Lambrecht	Ada M. Strauss
Port Sanilac	George E. Brown	
Richmond		A. E. Fuller
Romeo	Henry W. Hunt	Miss Eva Parker
St. Clair	J. F. Fryer	Hugh Hart

LICENTIATES.

New Baltimore	J. M. MacLeod
Port Huron, Sturgis Memorial.....	Thomas Cooke

GENESEE ASSOCIATION.

Bancroft	Rev. E. F. Blackmer	
Belford	George Benford	
Durand	M. F. Scouten	Mrs. M. F. Scouten
Flint	Ernest Evans	
Grand Blanc	George Benford	
Perry	M. G. Powley	
Shaftsburg	M. G. Powley	
St. Johns		Alfred S. Fildew
Vernon	T. E. Bennett	

LICENTIATE.

Highland and Hartland	E. Woolley
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GLADSTONE ASSOCIATION.

LICENTIATE.

Garden	D. McKenzie
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GRAND RAPIDS ASSOCIATION.

CHURCH.

MINISTER.

DELEGATE.

Alpine, Trinity	Mrs. W. E. Bouck
Grand Rapids, Park	Mrs. C. F. Idema
Grand Rapids, South	Adrian Otte
G'd Rapids, Plymouth	Karl O. Thompson
Greenville	F. H. Foster (Acting) ..
Lowell	Miss Mae Conant
Middleville	Wm. D. Ogg
South Boston	Fred Roys Bush
	Mrs. Hannah Moore
	Wm. D. Ogg

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Ministerial Member—C. B. Fellows.	

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Traverse City, 1st	Demas Cochlin	

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Vermontville	St. Clare Parsons
Williamston.....	C. E. Robinson

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Edmore and Six Lakes.....	Eugene F. Gray
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Cadillac.....	E. J. Millington
Ludington.....	B. H. Burtt

LICENTIATE.

Clare.....	W. A. A. Shipway
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Alpena.....	I. W. Stuart	Mrs. Francis J. Cole
Bay City	Victor F. Brown	
Breckenridge.....	George H. Coman	Mrs. George H. Coman
Merrill	C. D. Banister	
Roscommon	Wm. Etheridge	
Saginaw, 1st	N. S. Bradley	Rev. R. Stapleton

LICENTIATE.

Long Rapids	Fred Errington
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	Bert Crittenden

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 Mrs. C. R. Wilson, *Trustee*.
 Louis P. Haight, *Trustee*.
 John Nichols, *Trustee*.

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Rev. A. N. Hitchcock, Secy. A. B. C. F. M., Chicago.
 Rev. J. G. Haller, Secy. Michigan Federation of Churches, St. Clair.
 Rev. J. J. Patterson, St. Andrew's Pres. Church, Sarnia, Canada.
 Rev. C. C. Haag, German Evangelical Church, Port Huron.
 Rev. H. H. Walker, Chicago Theological Seminary, Chicago.
 Rev. F. W. Montieth, Presbyterian Church, Port Huron.
 Rev. W. A. Rice, Secy. Ministerial Relief Society, New York City.
 Rev. E. L. Bennett, First M. E. Church, Port Huron.

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 Mrs. Harry Burr, Detroit.
 James Schermerhorn, Detroit.
 S. E. Clark, Detroit.
 Mrs. A. E. Fuller, Richmond.
 Mrs. Emma Myers, Carsonville.
 Mrs. George E. Brown, Carsonville.

SUMMARY.

Ministerial Members	80
Licentiates	19
Lay Delegates	45
Members <i>Ex Officio</i>	4
Advisory Members	8
	156
Visitors	11
	167

Rev. Milo J. Sweet, of Hudson, was elected scribe. Rev. C. O. Grieshaber, of Grand Rapids, assistant scribe, and Mr. Frank B. McKibbin, Lansing, auditor.

The report of the registrar, read by Mr. C. A. Gower, was accepted and ordered printed in the Minutes. (*Document A.*)

The annual report of Supt. J. W. Sutherland was given, accepted and ordered printed in the minutes. (*Document B.*)

On recommendation of the Business Committee, Rev. J. G. Haller, of St. Clair, Rev. J. J. Patterson, of St. Andrews Presbyterian Church of Sarnia, Canada, Rev. C. C. Haag, of the German Evangelical Church of Port Huron, Rev. A. N. Hitchcock, of Chicago, Secretary of the American Board, and Rev. H. H. Walker, of Chicago Theological Seminary, were invited to sit as advisory members.

The report of the Treasurer was received and ordered printed in the minutes. (*Document C.*)

The report of the Board of Trustees was read by F. E. Bogart, of Detroit, and accepted by the Conference. It was voted that the third recommendation contained in the report be laid on the table. The remaining recommendations were adopted. (*Document D.*)

The report of the Olivet Day Committee was read by Prof. F. H. Foster, and accepted by the Conference. (*Document E.*)

The report of Rev. E. W. Bishop, of Grand Rapids, visitor to Olivet College, was read by Prof. Foster and accepted by the Conference. (*Document F.*)

A devotional half hour was conducted by Rev. Henry H. Walker.

The general theme: "Religious Education and the American Home," was taken up by the Conference. Rev. Walter B. Dickinson, of Kalamazoo, presented the sub-topic: "The Situation in Respect to the American Home."

The second sub-topic: "The Situation in Respect to the Children of the Church," was presented by Rev. St. Clare Parsons, of Vermontville. These addresses were followed by a general discussion.

The nominating committee made the following report, which was adopted, naming Members of the Board of Trustees:
For three years:

Detroit Association	Mr. F. E. Bogart
Eastern Association	Rev. W. H. Hunt
Genesee Association	Mr. C. C. Vaughan
Gladstone Association	Mr. Raymond Empson
North Central Association	Rev. B. H. Burtt

For two years:

Lansing Association Rev. Wm. Wiedenhoeft

Members at large:

For two years, Mr. Van A. Wallin.

For three years, Mrs. L. P. Haight, Pres. W. B. M. I.
Mrs. C. R. Wilson, Pres. W. H. M. U.

After the minutes of Tuesday evening and Wednesday morning were read and approved, the morning session closed with benediction by Rev. G. D. Strickland.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON, MAY 17.

The Conference was called to order at two o'clock, by the moderator: Rev. Arthur F. Skeele offered prayer.

The report of the Committee on Interdenominational Comity was read by Rev. Carl S. Patton. It was accepted, and the recommendation that the committee be continued was adopted. (*Document G.*)

The report of the Committee on Necrology was read by Rev. H. W. Hunt, and was followed by prayer offered by Rev. Mac H. Wallace, of Detroit. The report was then accepted and ordered printed in the minutes. (*Document H.*)

The Business Committee moved that the Conference recommend each church to pay the traveling expenses of the pastor and delegate to the meetings of the Conference. The motion was adopted.

The Nominating Committee made the following report, which was adopted:

Members of Committees on Methods Looking to Increased Efficiency in Church Work:

Rev. Archibald Hadden.
Rev. Demas Cochlin.
Rev. H. S. Mills.

Members of Industrial Committees:

Rev. Ernest Evans.
Rev. E. W. Bishop.
Rev. A. C. Diefenbach.

Members of "Olivet Day" Committee:

Prof. F. H. Foster.
Rev. E. J. Millington.
Mr. Charles W. Garfield.

Members of Committee on Necrology:

Rev. H. W. Hunt.
Rev. Mac H. Wallace.

On the recommendation of the Business Committee, the Conference listened to the report of the work of the Anti-Saloon League, given by Mr. S. A. Dean.

On the request of the Moderator, the assistant moderator being absent, Rev. A. H. Stoneman took the chair.

Rev. Henry H. Walker conducted a devotional half hour.

Reports from the meeting of the National Council were given as follows:

1. The Centennial of the American Board, by Rev. Bastian Smits, of Jackson.

(At this point the Business Committee recommended that Rev. F. W. Montieth, of the Presbyterian church of Port Huron, be invited to sit with us as an advisory member. The recommendation was adopted.)

2. "The Apportionment Plan"—Mr. F. E. Bogart.

The following telegram was received:

Michigan Congregational Conference,
Port Huron, Michigan.

Christian greeting from the seventy-eighth convention of the Diocese of Michigan. "Peace be to the brethren and love with faith, from God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. Grace be with all them that love our Lord Jesus Christ with a love incorruptible." Eph. 6:23-24.

On motion Supt. J. W. Sutherland was instructed to make a suitable reply in the name of the Conference, which was as follows:

Diocese of Michigan,
Care Bishop C. D. Williams,
Detroit, Michigan.

The Michigan Congregational Conference, at its seventieth annual session, heartily reciprocates your kindly Christian greeting. "One is our Master, even Christ, and all we are brethren."

The Conference listened to an address on the Apportionment Plan by Rev. A. N. Hitchcock, of the American Board.

On motion, it was voted to take a recess until 7:30.

The benediction was pronounced by Rev. H. S. Mills.

The Wednesday evening service opened at 7:30, the moderator, Mr. Burtt, presiding. After devotional exercises, participated in by Rev. H. S. Mills, Rev. Bastian Smits and Rev. C. H. Harger, the moderator introduced Prof. Herbert L. Willett, of Chicago, who addressed the Conference on the theme, "The Missionary Problem and the Modern Church."

THURSDAY MORNING, MAY 18.

The moderator called the Conference to order at 8:30, and Rev. George Benford offered prayer.

By vote of the Conference recommendation No. 3 in the report of the Board of Trustees was taken from the table.

Moved and seconded that the recommendation be adopted. Rev. H. A. Putnam offered an amendment by adding the following: "We further recommend that Supt. Sutherland be instructed to inform Mr. S. T. Johnson, chairman of the National Council Apportionment Commission, of this action, and to suggest that the working out of the details of the Apportionment Plan with the churches of Michigan be left in the hands of the State Board of Trustees."

The amendment was adopted, and the vote on the motion to adopt the recommendation as thus amended, was carried.

A motion to adopt the report of the Board of Trustees as a whole was carried.

In behalf of the Alpena church, Rev. I. W. Stuart extended an invitation to the Conference to meet with that church at its next annual meeting. The invitation was accepted.

The election of officers for the ensuing year was taken up.

The ballot for Moderator resulted in the choice of Mr. F. E. Bogart, of Detroit.

Rev. W. C. Allen, of Leslie, was chosen Assistant Moderator.

Mr. C. A. Gower was elected Registrar for three years.

Mr. C. A. Gower was elected Treasurer for three years.

(At this hour, 9 a. m., the Conference took a recess, that all members might attend the annual meeting of the Michigan Home Missionary Society.)

The Conference was reconvened by the Moderator at 9:20 a. m. The following report of the Nominating Committee was adopted.

Members of the Nominating Committee for two years, Rev. George Benford, Rev. Wm. J. Jacobs.

Trustees of Anti-Saloon League, Mr. Jason Hammond, Rev. S. T. Morris.

Business Committee for two years, Rev. I. W. Stuart, Rev. A. F. Skeele, Rev. James S. Williamson.

Committee on Interdenominational Comity, Rev. J. W. Sutherland, Rev. A. G. Beach, Rev. J. P. Hugget.

By request of the Moderator, Supt. Sutherland introduced following pastors, who had joined our ranks during the year:

Rev. Victor F. Brown, Bay City.

Rev. George B. Hatfield, Lansing.

Rev. W. B. Denny, Three Oaks.

Rev. E. F. Gray, Edmore.

Rev. W. Parker, Freeport.

Rev. C. J. Thompson, Ironwood.

Rev. D. F. Blackmer, Bancroft.

Rev. M. F. Scouten, Durand.

Rev. J. Percival Hugget, Detroit.

It was moved and carried that the custom of introducing our

new pastors to the Conference be continued in forthcoming meetings.

The Moderator called Rev. M. Lee Grant to the chair.

Rev. H. H. Walker conducted a devotional half hour, which was closed with prayer by Prof. Swing, of Oberlin Seminary.

The general theme of the "Home Field" was then taken up.

The sub-topics were presented as follows:

(a) The Church in the Heart of a Great City — Rev. A. McCallum, Detroit.

(b) The Church in a Lumber Town—Rev. George E. Brown, Chippewa Lake.

(c) The Swedish-Finnish Work — Rev. C. J. Thompson, Ironwood.

(d) The Church on a Remote Island — Rev. G. D. Strickland, Drummond Island.

(e) The Church in the Country—Rev. Fred Errington, Long Rapids.

(f) The Together Spirit — Mrs. C. R. Wilson, Detroit, President W. H. M. U.

Rev. H. W. Hunt presented, on behalf of the Board of Trustees, the following resolution, which was adopted:

"Whereas, For many years the Rev. Frank Blomfield has acted as Secretary of the Committee of Ministerial Relief, and inasmuch as his removal from the State has made it necessary for him to give up the work into which he has put so much of thought and effort, therefore,

"Resolved, That desiring to place on record our appreciation of the service he has rendered the Conference in his careful and painstaking handling of the fund for Ministerial Relief, and of the kindly spirit and tender regard he has shown in his dealings with the beneficiaries of the fund, we hereby extend to him a vote of thanks for his many years of active and efficient service, and order that this resolution be spread upon the records of the Conference and a copy forwarded to Mr. Blomfield."

The Minutes for Wednesday afternoon and evening and for Thursday morning were read, corrected, and approved.

M. J. SWEET, Scribe.

C. O. GRIESHABER, Asst. Scribe.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON, MAY 18.

The Conference was called to order by the moderator, at 2 o'clock. Prayer was offered by Rev. W. B. Forbush, of Detroit.

Both the scribe and assistant scribe having been called home, Rev. M. Lee Grant was elected scribe pro tem, and Rev. F. R. Bush assistant scribe pro tem.

The nominating committee made the following report, which was adopted:

The Committee on Resolution:

Mr. George M. Lane, Detroit.

Rev. M. Lee Grant, Chelsea.

Rev. Mac H. Wallace, Detroit.

Delegates to the Triennial Convention of Chicago Theological Seminary, May, 1912:

Rev. W. B. Denny, Three Oaks.

Rev. Frank Davis, Otsego.

Rev. Archibald Hadden, Muskegon.

Rev. B. H. Burtt, Ludington.

Rev. Victor F. Brown, Bay City.

Rev. C. B. Fellows, Grand Rapids.

Rev. T. C. Williams, Imlay City.

Rev. F. R. Bush, Middleville.

Rev. W. H. Walker, South Haven.

Rev. J. Percival Huget, Detroit.

Rev. A. H. Stoneman, St. Joseph.

Rev. A. C. Diefenbach, Benton Harbor.

Rev. C. O. Grieshaber, Grand Rapids.

Rev. W. J. Campbell, Port Huron.

Rev. A. F. Skeele, Olivet.

Rev. H. S. Mills, Benzonia.

Rev. Milc J. Sweet, Hudson.

Rev. M. Lee Grant, Chelsea.

Rev. David L. Holbrook, Union City.

Rev. Wm. H. Warren, Detroit.

Rev. Charles E. Taggart, Reed City.

Rev. E. R. Latham, Clinton.

Rev. A. H. Stoneman made a verbal report concerning Benzonia Academy, and introduced Prin. G. R. Catton, who spoke briefly of the work of that school.

On recommendation of the Business Committee, Rev. W. A. Rice, of New York, and Rev. E. L. Bennett, of First M. E. Church, Port Huron, were elected advisory members.

Rev. Wm. A. Rice, of New York, addressed the Conference on Ministerial Relief.

Rev. J. Percival Hugget reported verbally concerning the Chicago Theological Seminary.

Rev. Holden A. Putnam read the report of the Committee on Examination and Course of Study. It was, on motion, accepted and adopted. (*Document I.*)

Rev. W. H. Warren, of Detroit, spoke relative to the Frankfort Assembly.

Pres. E. G. Lancaster spoke of the work and needs of Olivet College.

Rev. H. H. Walker conducted the Devotional Hour.

The consideration of the general topic, "Religious Education and the American Home," was then resumed.

(c) The Situation in Respect to The Church and the Modern City—Rev. N. S. Bradley.

(d) The Situation in Respect to the Church and the Rural Home—Rev. J. Percival Hugget.

The report of the Committee on Resolutions was presented and adopted. (*Document J.*)

On motion, it was voted that the Committee on Examination and Course of Study be instructed to hold the examination of licentiates on the opening day of the Conference.

The Minutes for Thursday afternoon were read and approved.

BENJ. H. BURTT, Moderator.

M. LEE GRANT, Scribe, *pro tem.*

F. R. BUSH, Asst. Scribe, *pro tem.*

[Document A.]

REPORT OF THE REGISTRAR.

Five years ago the Michigan Congregational Conference, in adopting the plan of "Oversight and Fellowship," incorporated into that plan the appointment of a Superintendent, who should have the general oversight and direction of the work in the state. This general oversight and direction gives to the Superintendent a knowledge of ministers and churches, and such a general view of methods, of effort and of progress as enable him to present to the Conference more complete facts and conclusions based on more extended observation, than it was ever possible for the registrar to give.

We shall not, therefore, attempt to duplicate the consideration of those phases of the work of the churches which will be more properly and more fully discussed in the report of the Superintendent, but confine this report mainly to the statistical items which come to us from the individual churches and registrars of the local associations, and the deductions which seem to follow.

There are 320 churches now on our list, three less than last year. Cedar Run, East Newton, Excelsior, Nahma, Sugar Island, Tawas City and Whiteford Center have been dropped and Elmdale, Mio, Sawyer and Jackson Street, Muskegon, added. Whiteford Center is near the Ohio line, is a member of an Ohio local association, and does not properly belong in our Michigan list of churches. The remaining six churches which are dropped have been practically dead for years, and some of them have been continued in name to protect property interests which are now settled.

Of those added, Elmdale is a new church established in a thriving community in Kent County. Mio was erroneously omitted from the list last year. Sawyer and Jackson Street, Muskegon, have been revived after having had a long sleep, and their names have been restored. The total membership in the state is 32,467, less by 389 than at the close of 1909.

Additions to membership were, 1218 by confession and 950 by letter; a total of 2,168.

The removals for 1910 were 391 by death, 965 by dismissal, and 1201 by revision of roll; a total of 2,557.

Baptisms last year were 556 adults and 708 infants.

There were 204 ministers serving the churches as pastors or supplies last year. Ministers without charge were 84.

Of our 320 churches at the close of 1910, 58 were without pastors, 173 had ordained pastors, 41 were ministered to by licentiates, and 21 by supplies.

There were 33,892 scholars in our Sunday schools—a loss of 2,864; 26,634 families were counted as belonging to our 320 parishes—a gain of 719; 121 Young People's Societies are reported—19 less than last year; and 55 Men's Organizations with a membership of 3,122.

Our benevolences as reported for the Year Book were \$58,638—a loss of \$37,139. The home expenses were \$345,281—\$16,624 less than 1909.

The value of church property increased \$486,245, and the indebtedness of churches decreased \$11,624. 67 churches report debts this year, and 78 last year. Only 78 churches now lack a parsonage, 10 having been added during 1910.

Conclusions as to the present condition of our churches and their prospect for growth and usefulness based on these figures alone would not seem encouraging. Less churches, less ministers in service, less

membership, less additions, less Sunday-school scholars, less young people's societies, less benevolences and less home expenses, certainly that does not sound optimistic. But there are explanations of some of these figures which take away their frightful mien, of other figures that are most encouraging, and better than any mathematical showing as to facts and conditions is the testimony of our Superintendent, our General Missionary and our Sunday School Missionary, and especially the reports of the individual churches as to the character of the work accomplished, their plans and their prospects.

A man is of value to the community in which he lives not according to his weight or the size of his hat or his good looks, but for what he does for its betterment. So with a church, it is not the number of its membership nor the elegance of its edifice, but its influence for good in the social and moral life of the community that determines its value. The spirit of an army rather than its size determines its efficiency. Measured by this standard, the Congregational churches of Michigan WERE NEVER STRONGER THAN TODAY. While we have 389 less members than a year ago, we should bear in mind that the loss of 1201 by revision of lists is more than made good by the addition of 1218 on confession of faith. The former were mostly dead timber, while nearly all the latter were of those who came into the church that they might render more efficient service thereby. There were very few additions as the result of revivals, but rather on account of the persistent, intelligent efforts of devoted pastors to present the sweet reasonableness of the Christian life to those coming under their influence. An unusual number of heads of families are included in these additions. There were more infant baptisms last year than in any previous year. This is significant as indicating a growing respect for the church and a desire on the part of parents that their children be trained, and recognize themselves as a part of Christ's family.

We have seventeen less ministers in active service than a year ago, but any one who is at all conversant with the personnel of our ministerial force will say that the average ability and efficiency of those in the work today is decidedly greater than at any previous period. The people are demanding of their ministers larger and better work than formerly and the ministers are responding to the call or giving place to others who believe in the forward movement. Twentieth century ideas are happily being more hospitably entertained by most of our ministers than seventeenth century ideas, greatly to the satisfaction and well-thinking of the intelligent laity.

There were 58 vacant churches December 31. By vacant churches we mean those where no regular services were being held. Twenty-two of these have been dormant for a long time. One Mackinac Island, is supplied only during the summer. The remaining, 35 are so yoked as to be served by 21 pastors.

There has probably been no falling off in the actual attendance of our Sunday-schools. The failure of most of the church clerks to include the cradle-roll and Home Department as heretofore in the number of pupils, accounts for the difference.

The fact that 719 more families were under the care of our churches than in the previous year means a largely extended influence, and the 55 men's organizations, most of which are of very recent birth means very much in the way of added vitality to the churches with which they are connected.

A decrease of \$11,624 in church indebtedness is good news. This leaves only \$64,624 owed by 67 churches. Last year 78 churches had debts. New church buildings have been erected by these churches: Elmdale, De-

troit, North Woodward Ave., Grand Rapids East, Middleville, Long Rapids and Isabella; and an annex has been added to the church at St. Joseph.

During the year ten churches have added parsonages to their church equipment, leaving now only 78 not thus provided.

The falling off of over \$37,000 in our benevolences is largely accounted for by remembering that in 1909 a legacy of \$30,000 went to the A. B. C. F. M. from Michigan, and the further fact that figures showing benevolences in years past have been made up by the churches, while this year some of the National Societies have edited out many dollars from the amounts as reported, these not having passed through the treasuries of the societies.

With the new view-point given us by the review of these figures the prospect for successful, aggressive work by the Congregational churches of Michigan seems most promising.

There have come into pastoral service of the Conference from without the state during the past year the following—sixteen in all:

E. F. Blackmer	L. C. Queen
Victor F. Brown	Frank Davis
T. A. Stubbins	W. B. Denny
E. R. Latham	M. Mullins
J. Percival Huget	W. T. Heinzman
Joseph Thoms	C. E. Robinson
J. S. Williamson	F. W. Ollis
G. B. Hatfield	R. W. Farquhar

Eighteen have gone to fields of labor in other states:

D. G. Blair	M. C. Bullock
T. R. McRoberts	J. Sidney Gould
N. J. Myers	Jesse Povey
H. M. Lyman	A. Secord
J. C. Townsend	W. A. Minty
J. T. Walker	C. A. Parmiter
George Hill	G. H. Cole
Frank Blomfield	M. J. Norton
S. C. Carson	Charles Elliott

Five of those in the active pastorate have died during the year: L. E. Brown, C. W. Carrick, G. C. Empson, F. Lines, C. S. Tubbs, and two—Joy Warren and Jonathan T. Otis—who had not held pastorates for some years.

The most important happening in connection with the state of the churches during recent years was the adoption five years ago of the plan of "Oversight and Fellowship." It is no longer an experiment, but an assured and very decided success.

While the duties of the Registrar of the Conference have not been involved in the change to such an extent that he can claim any responsibility for its successes, yet we have had unusual opportunity to observe the working of the new plan and to compare it with former conditions. It is therefore with great pleasure that we suggest as some of the good results of the change:

1. A larger number of efficient ministers.
2. A smaller number of poorly prepared and inefficient ministers.
3. Longer pastorates.
4. Shorter interims between pastorates.
5. Fewer cases of unfortunate friction between pastors and people.
6. More new church buildings.
7. More parsonages.

8. Better salaries to ministers.
9. Fewer dead or near-dead churches.
10. Fewer vacant churches.
11. A large reduction in amount of church indebtedness.
12. The adoption of better business methods by very many churches.
13. A correlation of the forces of church activity in the interests of economy and efficiency.
14. A centralized Administrative Board to which ministers and laymen alike can appeal when in need or in doubt.
15. All along the line an *esprit de corps* which is most promising for the future of the work of the Master as entrusted to the Michigan Congregational Conference.

[Document B.]

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT.

In view of the change made at the last annual meeting in the fiscal year of the State Conference, this report should cover only that fraction of the year beginning with the last Annual Meeting and ending with December 31, 1910. Inasmuch as a statistical comparison of a fraction of the year with a full year might be confusing, no exact figures will be given in this report.

OFFICE WORK.

The great demand upon the facilities of the Lansing office may be regarded as indicative of the value of the service being rendered to both pastors and churches. The large correspondence of the office is of the most varied kind, dealing not only with the routine duties of church clerks, local association registrars and advisory committees, but it concerns almost every conceivable phase of church life. Perhaps a majority of the letters received are written in discouragement and perplexity, and call for sympathy and counsel; frequently for a personal visit by the Superintendent or one of the field workers. A large part of the correspondence is with ministers seeking churches and with churches seeking pastors. In this branch of the work from 1,500 to 2,000 letters a year are written, and from 60 to 70 churches are aided in securing pastors. Calls at the office by individuals and committees to consult the Superintendent are growing more frequent, and often the larger part of a day is consumed in these useful conferences.

FIELD WORK.

The work in the field taxes the time and strength of the field force to the utmost. The Superintendent is in the field fully half his time. The demands of the office are so great that he has tried repeatedly to cut his field work down to about one-third or two-fifths of his time, but without avail. General Missionary Fellows and Sunday-school Missionary Harger spend practically all their time in the field. The miles traveled during a year are about 40,000, which are divided almost equally between the Superintendent and his two helpers. From 450 to 500 visits are made to the churches and Sunday schools; about the same number of public addresses are delivered; almost as many conferences with committees and churches are held, and about 2,000 personal calls are made. This work of supervision is sorely needed and generally it is greatly appreciated. I cannot speak too highly of the service being rendered by Mr. Fellows and Mr. Harger. They are unremitting in their labors, thoroughly loyal to our

state polity, patient, sympathetic and tactful in all their dealings with the churches, and their work is of a highly constructive character. As friends of the pastors and churches needing their aid they are always welcome.

LOCAL ASSOCIATIONS.

The proposition to reduce the number of local associations has been considered by most of these bodies. The Olivet Association voted to disband, and gave letters to all its churches and ministerial members, recommending them to the Lansing, the Kalamazoo and the Grand Rapids Associations. They have all been received into these associations and the Olivet Association is therefore disbanded. After careful consideration in most of the local associations for two years, in which there was manifest a spirit of willingness to make any modifications that might benefit the larger work of the state, there appeared to be no sufficient reason for making any radical changes, and the discussion may be considered as closed. Some minor changes may yet be made in the boundary lines of several of the associations, but they will probably not affect the number nor the names of the associations. The prolonged discussion, however, has been beneficial in clearing the atmosphere and in showing plainly where the responsibility in each association lies. Where the pastors of the leading churches in each association show their interest by their presence at the meetings of the Association, and by their active co-operation, the smaller churches usually fall into line and good meetings are the result. In some associations the Registrars are instructed to write to the churches not represented by pastors and delegates, to assure them that they were missed, and to remind them that their membership in the association involves the duty of active fellowship. Where this spirit of active fellowship exists on the part of the stronger churches and their pastors, not only are the meetings well attended and profitable, but a higher degree of efficiency in the work of all the churches is registered.

COUNTRY PASTOR'S INSTITUTE.

The second Country Pastor's Institute was held with the church at Honor, July 19 to 26. The attendance and interest were even larger than the year preceding. Mr. L. P. Haight, President of the Michigan Congregational Brotherhood, Rev. C. O. Bemis, of McClellanstown, Pa., an unusually successful country pastor, and Prof. French of the M. A. C., were present and delivered several addresses each. With this exception the program followed along the lines of last year. The following resolution was adopted: "Without in any way discounting the value of our own two denominational conferences already held at Chippewa Lake and at Honor, but rather because of our appreciation of these conferences and our conviction of the wisdom of a wider interdenominational movement, and of our duty to further this wider movement, resolved, that we have no separate conference next year; that we recommend attending and co-operating with the larger conference to be held at East Lansing under the auspices of the M. A. C., and that we request President Snyder to arrange, if possible, for brief denominational rallies in connection with the interdenominational conference."

CIRCULATING LIBRARY.

The Circulating Library which was begun in a small way four years ago has come to be regarded as an established institution. Duplicate sets of all books in the Conference Course of Study and many other valuable books, are in the Library. The Licentiates generally make faithful

use of the Library, and other pastors also avail themselves of it. The Library is supported by membership fees, and by the gifts of several interested laymen. For the meagre income the Library is doing a large and valuable service.

APPORTIONMENT PLAN.

The Apportionment Plan has been considered by most of the local associations and they have adopted it with modifications intended to suit local conditions. It has been generally understood that the standard set by the Apportionment Plan has been adopted as an ideal toward which the churches will gradually move, with the hope of ultimate attainment. The Superintendent has been unremitting in his efforts, both in his correspondence and in his addresses to safeguard our state interests, but in many instances pastors and churches have failed to grasp the significance of the situation, and the process of diverting funds from our state work has gone on under the mistaken notion that loyalty to the Apportionment Plan involves the division of all the benevolences among the seven societies, according to the percentage basis named in the Plan, even when the full amount of the Apportionment is not raised. The situation is one of great confusion, and, from the standpoint of fidelity to our state interests, one of serious embarrassment.

HOME MISSIONS.

The Home Missionary activity remains substantially as reported last year. The number of missionaries in commission at one time ranges from 50 to 60; the number employed during the year from 70 to 80; the number of churches and out-stations aided during the year from 100 to 110; the number of Sunday-schools connected therewith from 100 to 120; the number of months service rendered from 600 to 650. While the number of Home Missionary churches remains practically the same, the standard is gradually being raised. Several churches are passing annually into the self-supporting class, the salaries of other churches are being increased and paid with more business-like regularity, and some churches that have long lain dormant are being revived.

SUNDAY-SCHOOL MISSIONS.

The Sunday-school Missionary work is being carried on with great activity and success. Care is being taken to place the branch and mission schools under the fostering care of the nearest churches, to the mutual advantage of both churches and Sunday schools. The mission schools are largely in the northern part of the state where the population is scattered and, as a rule, they are so placed as to form connecting links between our churches. Within the last twelve months ten new schools have been organized with an aggregate membership of over 400.

LICENTIATES.

The recommendation adopted by the State Conference that the examination of all licentiates be by the State Committee on Course of Study on the first day of our annual meeting, and that the endorsement of this Committee be required as a condition to ordination by the local associations, is receiving general favor by both local associations and licentiates. Some of the local associations have by formal vote adopted the recommendation of the State Conference, and others have conformed to the recommendation without any formal action. The four licentiates recommended for ordination at the last annual meeting by the State Committee have been duly ordained by their respective local

associations. In each instance it was felt that added dignity and weight were given to the service of ordination because the candidate bore a certificate from the State Committee.

DIFFICULTIES.

After this general survey of the work in the state it may be helpful to note some of our special difficulties and encouragements, and to say a few words regarding our plans and purposes. Our greatest difficulty is to secure enough thoroughly consecrated and well equipped men for the pastorates of our small and isolated churches. We are always in need of fifteen to twenty men for these churches. The Seminaries are doing practically nothing for us in this field. We are therefore compelled to pick up our men from the store, the shop, the factory, the farm, the school room, wherever we can find them. These men are commissioned only on condition that they enter at once upon the three year's Course of Study for Licentiates adopted by our State Conference. Every year several of them fall away from us, but many of them are making good, some of them in an unusual degree.

Another difficulty grows out of our inheritance from the lumber era. That was largely an era of exploitation. Towns sprang up as if by magic, and churches thrived. For a period of twenty-five years we organized on an average one church a month. But in time the land was denuded of its timber, the soil was decried as of no value, and prosperous towns vanished like "the insubstantial fabric of a vision." In many places our churches were wrecked. They had their day and ceased to be. For some years we have been ministering to our dying, and burying our dead. We have also been looking after their effects and doing what we could to assist the Church Building Society to recover, a part at least, of the money generously given to aid these churches when they were young and life was full of hope.

Still another difficulty just now grows out of the confusion, and consequent diversion of the Home Missionary funds, incident to the adoption of the Apportionment Plan. But of that I have already spoken.

ENCOURAGEMENTS.

What are some of the encouragements? A sharp transition is going on in many sections of the state which will transform large areas within the next few years. Much of the light, sandy soil which hitherto has been considered worthless, is now believed, as the result of many successful experiments, to be capable, under intelligent culture, of producing a variety of profitable crops. The old lumber-jack farmer prevalent throughout the former timber belt, is fast disappearing. Successful farmers, notably from Ohio and Indiana, are coming in and they report that Michigan lands can be made to yield, with less labor, as profitable crops as the lands from which they came. Many improvements are going on, and the price of farms is advancing. A marvelous development is also taking place in fruit culture along the entire western side of the lower peninsula and in many other favored localities. A notable feature of this development is seen in the changed attitude of the lumber companies. Formerly they decried the land and discouraged settlement, but now some of them are setting out large experimental and, in some instances, commercial orchards, which are netting them good profits. All this is creating confidence in the stability of future conditions, and is stimulating to our missionary activity.

Another encouraging factor in our work is the strong confidence with

which the Michigan Plan of Oversight and Fellowship is generally regarded. It has been demonstrated to the satisfaction of practically all our churches and ministers, that the plan does not endanger the freedom of any church, while it does make for fellowship of the most practical and constructive kind. Through the working out of this plan and, by the co-operation of the Local Advisory Committees with the State Superintendent and his helpers, a number of dormant churches have been revived, and many very weak churches have been lifted up to a level of marked efficiency.

PLANS AND PURPOSES.

A word with reference to our plans and purposes. We are trying to strengthen our base in the strategic centers that we already occupy. While many of the former lumber towns are only memories or wrecks, a goodly number of them are slowly but surely becoming the centers of prosperous agricultural communities. For all such places our program includes: The securing of consecrated pastors of special ability as organizers and constructive workers; the providing of adequate and attractive meeting houses and parsonages; and the organizing of feeders in the form of out-stations and branch Sunday schools. All our Sunday school work is under the direction of our State Board of Trustees, and Home Missions and Sunday School Missions go hand in hand, as they should. The weaker churches in the villages and in the country are being yoked as far as possible; 136 of our 320 churches are thus yoked. In order to secure stronger men, larger circuits, able to pay larger salaries, are being formed. Good business and financial methods are being strongly urged that the churches may become more vigorous and efficient organizations. All Home Missionary grants are paid monthly, and the churches receive aid on condition that they make an earnest and systematic effort to settle with their pastor in full once a month or oftener. All the churches are being informed of the merits of the budget system of finance. Several of our larger churches, and several of our smaller churches as well, have recently adopted this system with most gratifying results. We are also trying to keep our eyes open and our hands outstretched in welcome to the foreigners who are settling all about us. Many of them are protestants, and where they have no church organization of their own, they frequently welcome the attention given them by our pastors and churches. In brief, our purpose is, to strengthen the work in hand as far as it can be done by the methods just mentioned, rather than to divert our energies in organizing a large number of new churches.

NEW WORK.

New work, however, cannot be neglected if we are to be true to our responsibilities and bear our share as a denomination in caring for the future religious welfare of our state. The great opportunities for new work will be largely in the growing cities. Several such opportunities are appealing to us now but we cannot respond, as our maintenance fund enables us to live only from hand to mouth. And even that inadequate fund is being impaired just now by the confusion growing out of well intended efforts to install the Apportionment Plan. We may believe, however, that the spirit of consecration, and the constructive ability that have characterized Michigan Congregationalism in the past, and have given it a prominent place in the counsels of our denomination, will be equal to the new emergency and the new opportunity with which we are to-day standing face to face.

J. W. SUTHERLAND, Superintendent.

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REPORT OF THE TREASURER.

REV. B. H. BURTT, President of the Board of Trustees, Michigan Congregational Conference:

DEAR SIR:— I hereby submit the Treasurer's report for the nine months ending December 31, 1910.

Respectfully,

C. A. GOWER,

Lansing, April 30, 1911.

Treasurer.

C. A. GOWER, Treasurer,

In account with Michigan Congregational Conference:

To balance on hand March 31, 1910—

Cash	\$1,164 46
Bonds (par value)	26,500 00
Receipts to Jubilee Fund (Statement A)	\$27,664 46
" " " " C. L. Ford Fund (Statement B)	125 00
" " " " Ministerial Relief Fund (Statement C)	315 50
" " " " General Expense Fund (Statement D)	1,231 99
" " " " Benzonia Academy Fund (Statement E)	780 21
" " " " New Work Fund (Statement F)	150 00
" " " " Sunday School Department (Statement G)	80 00
" " " " Circulating Library Dept. (Statement H)	2,188 97
" " " " Home Missionary Dept. (Statement I)	9 00
" " " " Mrs. L. A. H. Childs Fund (Statement J)	13,084 33
" " " " Nashville Church Prop. Fund (Statement K)	37 50
" " " " Institute Fund (Statement L)	37 50
General Ledger Accounts	119 31
	197 83
	18,357 14
	<u>\$46,021 60</u>

By Payments of Grants to Missionaries	7,644 09
" Salary of Superintendent	1,875 00
" " " " Registrar	200 00
" " " " Treasurer	337 50
" " " " Stenographer	360 00
" " " " General Missionary	900 00
" " " " S. S. Missionary	687 50
Traveling Expenses of Superintendent	251 75
" " " " General Missionary	240 00
" " " " S. S. Missionary	285 84
Postage and Express	272 38
Printing and Stationery	417 18
Office Rent	185 00
Expenses of Trustees and Ex. Com. attending meetings	107 94
C. H. M. S. (15% of receipts from churches)	1,073 40
Beneficiaries of Ministerial Relief Fund	695 00
Expenses of Secy. of Ministerial Relief Fund	15 18
Repairs on Property at Old Mission	32 73
Treasurer's Bond	25 00
Litigation in re Bartlett Legacy—H. M. Fund	26 00
Expense of Institute	100 55
Interest on Loans	60 00
Bank Loans paid	125 00
Taxes on Chicago lots	15 94

By National Council tax.....	\$658 96
" Benzonia Academy—Interest on Bonds.....	150 00
" Circulating Library—Books and Supplies.....	1 76
" Miscellaneous expenses.....	251 17
" General Ledger Accounts.....	197 88
" Cash on hand Dec. 31, 1910.....	2,378 92
" Bonds (par value).....	<u>26,500 00</u>
	\$46,021 60

Statement A.—Jubilee Fund.

By Securities (par value).....	\$5,000 00
" Interest	125 00
To transferred to S. S. Fund	125 00
" Bonds (par value).....	<u>5,000 00</u>

Statement B.—C. L. Ford Fund.

By balance on hand April 26, 1910:	
" Bonds (par value).....	\$8,000 00
" Received interest on bonds	225 00
" Avails of Detroit Property (sold on contract)	90 50
	<u>315 50</u>
To Taxes on Chicago Lots.....	\$15 94
" Transferred to General Expense Acct.....	299 56
" Bonds (par value).....	<u>8,000 00</u>

Statement C.—Department of Ministerial Relief.

By balance on hand March 31, 1910, bonds and mortgage (par value).....	\$9,600 00
" Cash	726 84
" Received interest on bonds and mortgage.....	253 20
" from W. H. M. U.....	77 07
" From churches.....	582 47
" Michigan Congregational Conference.....	36 62
" From Associations.....	151 68
" Draft returned	25 00
" From individuals	106 00

	\$11,558 83
To paid to Beneficiaries.....	\$695 00
" Repairs on Old Mission property	32 73
" Postage, stationery, etc. (Secretary's expense).....	15 16
" Investment in mortgage.....	1,100 00
" Bonds (par value).....	8,500 00
" Balance on hand Dec. 31, 1910.....	<u>1,215 94</u>

Statement D.—General Expense Fund.

By Receipts from Associations.....	\$771 78
" Transfer from C. L. Ford Fund.....	299 56
" " Home Missionary Fund	2,088 63
" " Sunday School Fund	521 22
" Miscellaneous receipts	8 43
" Overdraft	<u>999 26</u>

\$4,683 88

To paid Registrar's salary.....	\$200 00
Salary of Superintendent.....	1,875 00
Traveling expenses.....	251 75
Salary of Treasurer.....	337 50
Salary of stenographer.....	360 00
Postage and express.....	262 38
Trustees and Ex. Committee expenses.....	107 94
Printing and stationery.....	402 13
Office rent.....	135 00
Treasurer's bond.....	25 00
National Council Tax.....	658 96
Miscellaneous expenses.....	67 35
	<u><u>\$4,683 88</u></u>

Statement E.—Benzonia Academy Fund.

By balance on hand March 31, 1910, bonds (par value).....	\$5,000 00
" Interest on bonds.....	150 00
To paid Treasurer of Benzonia Academy.....	150 00
" bonds in hand (par value).....	5,000 00

Statement F.—New Work Fund.

By receipts on coupon notes.....	80 00
To transferred to Home Missionary account.....	<u><u>\$80 00</u></u>

Statement G.—Sunday School Department.

By contributions from churches, Sunday schools, etc.....	\$1,716 79
" contributed by a friend	1 00
" refunded by C. S. S. and P. Society,—advances to S. S. Missionary	471 18
" transferred from Jubilee fund.....	125 00
To salary of S. S. Missionary.....	687 50
" expenses of Sunday School Missionary.....	285 84
" one-eighth general expense of Conference.....	521 22
" paid overdraft.....	83 44
" balance on hand.....	710 92

Statement H.—Circulating Library Fund.

Cash on hand March 31, 1910	\$8 92
Membership fees paid.....	9 00
To paid for books, printing and supplies.....	1 76
" balance on hand.....	16 16

Statement I.—Home Missionary Department.

By cash on hand March 31, 1910	\$516 44
" transferred from Mrs. L. A. H. Childs fund.....	\$37 50
" " " Nashville Ch. Prop. fund.....	37 50
To transferred from New Work fund	80 00
" " " General Expense	100 00
" received from churches.....	4,429 63
" " " Sunday schools	170 37
" " " Y. P. S. C. E.	14 00

To received from C. H. M. S.		\$159 80
" " " W. H. M. U.		3,123 52
" miscellaneous sources and anonymous gifts		562 01
" bank loans	4,625 00	\$13,339 33
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		\$13,855 77
By payments grants to missionaries		\$7,644 09
" salary of General Missionary		900 00
" traveling expenses of General Missionary		240 00
" one-half of expenses charged to general expense		2,083 63
" C. H. M. S. (15% of receipts from churches, etc.)		1,073 40
" litigation—re Louisa Corning Bartlett legacy		26 00
" interest on loans		60 00
" loans repaid		125 00
" cash on hand December 31, 1910	1,416 15	<hr/> 13,855 77

Statement J.—Mrs. L. A. H. Childs Fund.

By interest on bonds		\$37 50
To transferred to Home Missionary fund		<hr/> 37 50
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Statement K.—Nashville Church Property.

By interest on bonds		\$37 50
To transferred to Home Missionary fund		<hr/> 37 50
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Statement L.—Institute Fund.

By cash on hand March 31, 1910		25
" contributions from churches and individuals	119 31	\$119 56
To expenses of Institute		\$100 55
" cash on hand December 31, 1910	19 01	<hr/> 119 56
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The Jubilee Fund of \$5,000 was constituted by the Board of Trustees of the Michigan Congregational Association from bequest of Mrs. C. L. Ford, of Ann Arbor, with stipulation in bequest that the proceeds thereof should be used for the cause of Home Missions in Michigan. This fund is invested in Jackson (Mich.) Gas Company Bonds Nos. 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, \$1,000 each. Due 1937, interest 5 per cent., payable April 1 and November 1.

The C. L. Ford Fund was constituted by the Board of Trustees of the Michigan Congregational Association from bequest of Corydon L. Ford, of Ann Arbor, which made the Association residuary legatee and placed no restrictions upon the use of the proceeds. This fund is invested as follows:

Duluth, Rainy Lake and Winnipeg Railroad Bond, No. 52, for \$1,000, due January 1, 1916, interest 5 per cent., payable July 1 and January 1.

Flint (Mich.) Gas Company Gas Bonds, No. 120, \$500. Due November 1, 1924, interest 5 per cent., due April 1 and November 1.

La Porte (Ind.) Gas Co. Bond, No. 71, \$500, due April 1, 1925, interest 5 per cent., due April 1 and October 1.

Jackson (Mich.) Gas Company Bonds, Nos. 220, 221, 222, 223, 224, and 240, \$1,000 each, due 1937, interest 5 per cent., payable April 1 and October 1.

Four pieces of real estate in Detroit and five house lots at Des Plaines, Ill., originally belonged to the C. L. Ford fund. Three of the Detroit de-

scriptions have been sold and deeded. The fourth Detroit description was sold to Clark Sackett on contract. There is now a balance of \$1,357.42 due on this property. The Detroit property belonging to this fund has been for several years cared for by Mr. Roman A. Bissell, of Detroit, who collects on contracts, and remits to the treasurer monthly. The Des Plaines (Ill) lots are of very little present value. Responsible parties who are acquainted with the property advise holding the same for a possible increase in value.

The Ministerial Relief Fund was constituted by the Board of Trustees from the bequest of \$5,000 of Mrs. C. L. Ford, of Ann Arbor. This was subsequently increased by further bequest of C. L. Ford, of Ann Arbor, and has grown by the surplus of receipts over disbursements. The securities of this fund consist of:

Grand Rapids (Mich.) Gas Company Bond, No. 741, \$1,000, due February 1, 1915, interest 5 per cent., due February 1 and August 1.

Jackson (Mich.) Gas Company Bonds, Nos. 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, \$1,000 each, due 1937, interest 5 per cent., due April 1 and October 1.

La Porte (Ind.) Gas Company Bonds, Nos. 3, 4 and 5, \$500 each. No. 126, \$1,000, due April 1, 1925, interest 5 per cent., payable April 1 and November 1.

There is also an investment of \$1,100 of this fund in a mortgage on real estate in the City of Lansing. The property is appraised at \$2,200.

The Benzonia Academy Fund was constituted by the gift of Miss Emily B. Dickinson, of Romeo, to the Association in the interest of Benzonia Academy under terms which are given in document in our possession. This fund is invested in Virginia Lumber Co. Bonds, Nos. 526, 527, 528, 529, 530, \$1,000 each, due February 1, 1911, interest 6 per cent., payable August 1 and February 1.

The Michigan Congregational Conference also owns property at Old Mission, appraised at \$1,200. This property is at present occupied by Rev Leroy Warren, D. D., formerly Superintendent of Home Missions for Michigan.

The securities above referred to and papers pertaining to real estate belonging to the Association, are in the custody of the treasurer and are deposited in a safety deposit vault of the Lansing State Savings Bank.

I hereby certify that I have examined the books and vouchers of C. A. Gower, Treasurer of the Michigan Congregational Association, and find them to be correct. I have also found that the securities and other papers referred to in the text of this report are in the possession of the Treasurer, as stated.

Lansing, Michigan, May 11, 1911.

FRANK B. MCKIBBIN,
Auditor.

HOME MISSIONARY GIFTS AND GRANTS BY ASSOCIATIONS.

	GIFTS.	GRANTS.
Cheboygan Association.....	\$177 75	\$662 50
Detroit Association.....	1,272 34	650 00
Eastern Association.....	280 83	587 50
Genesee Association.....	250 45	233 31
Gladstone Association.....	45 41	625 00
Grand Rapids Association.....	558 67	481 41
Grand Traverse Association.....	243 17	641 07
Jackson Association.....	690 28	137 50
Kalamazoo Association.....	1,278 55	100 00
Lake Superior Association.....	315 75	363 75
Lansing Association.....	329 12	1,272 29
Muskegon Association.....	299 05	445 00
North Central Association.....	106 62	441 53
Saginaw Association.....	289 76	592 50
S. S. Marie Association.....	29 62	333 33
Southern Association.....	453 19	112 50

CITY UNIONS.

Detroit City Union (year ending Nov. 1, 1910).....	\$1,947 35
Grand Rapids City Union (Mar. 1, 1910; to Jan. 1, 1911).....	14 39

	\$1,961 75

INTEREST ON PERMANENT FUNDS.

Jubilee Fund.....	\$125 00
Mrs. L. A. H. Childs Fund.....	37 50
Nashville Church Fund.....	37 50

	\$200 00

MISCELLANEOUS GIFTS.

Miss Mary J. Messenger.....	\$10 00
A Friend.....	465 00
Mrs. S. M. Smith	6 00
Miss Agnes L. Fessenden.....	31 01
Mrs. F. A. Avery	10 00
Miss E. B. Dickinson.....	40 00

	\$562 01

DISBURSEMENTS FOR HOME MISSIONS.

Cheboygan Association.

Atlanta and Big Rock	\$50 00
Bellaire	75 00
Central Lake and Ellsworth	56 25
Echo	150 00
Johannesb'g and Hetherton	75 00
Lewiston	200 00
Ironton	56 25
Total	\$662 50

Detroit Association.

Dundee	\$125 00
Highland Park	450 00
Royal Oak	75 00
Total	\$650 00

Eastern Association.

New Baltimore	\$150 00
Port Huron, 24th St.	112 50
Port Huron, Ross Memorial	325 00
Port Sanilac and Carsonville	18 75
Total	\$587 50

Genesee Association.

Durand	\$183 31
Highland and Hartland	50 00
Total	\$233 31

Gladstone Association.

Cooks, Isabella and Nahma	\$225 00
Garden and Fayette	225 00
Rapid River	175 00
Total	\$625 00

Grand Rapids Association.

Allendale and Bass River	\$71 25
Conklin	125 00
Howard City	98 52
Hudsonville	75 00
Lamont and Eastmanville	116 64
Total	\$481 41

Grand Traverse Association.

Copemish	\$60 00
Honor and Homestead	63 32
Lake Ann	75 00
Buckley and Sherman	150 00
Suttons Bay and Omena	67 75
Traverse City, Oak Park	225 00
Total	\$641 07

Jackson Association.

Jackson, Plymouth	\$137 50
Total	\$137 50

Kalamazoo Association.

Grand Junction	\$100 00
Total	\$100 00

Lake Superior Association.

Ironwood	\$120 00
Redridge and Beacon Hill	243 75
Total	\$363 75

Lansing Association.

Chippewa Lake and Rodney	\$150 00
Coral	47 12
Crystal and Butternut	60 00
Edmore and Six Lakes	66 67
East Lansing	450 00
Millett	45 00
Mulliken	41 00
Onondaga	112 50
Saranac	150 00
Wacousta	150 00
Total	\$1,272 29

Muskegon Association.

Highl'd Park and Jack'n St.	\$150 00
Newaygo	150 00
White Cloud and Big Prairie	145 00
Total	\$445 00

North Central Association.

Baldwin	\$150 00
Custer and Fern	187 47
Farwell	29 06
Hersey	75 00
Total	\$441 53

Saginaw Association.

Breckenridge	\$50 00
Essexville	18 82
Freeland	112 50
Merrill	150 00
Rosecommon	150 00
Standish	116 68
Total	\$592 50

Sault Ste. Marie Association.

Allenville and Brimley	\$150 00
Mackinac Island	100 00
Pine Grove and Rosedale	83 33
Total	\$333 33

Southern Association.

Prattville	\$112 50
Total	\$112 50

MINISTERIAL RELIEF FUND.

Receipts in Detail.

Ann Arbor.....	\$23 24	Port Huron, Sturgis Memorial	\$5 00
Benton Harbor.....	27 00	Rockford.....	2 50
Breckenridge.....	5 00	Romeo.....	5 51
Brimley.....	1 50	Roscommon.....	2 50
Calumet.....	40 00	St. Clair.....	18 98
Charlevoix.....	5 00	St. Joseph.....	14 00
Chelsea.....	2 00	Salem, 2nd.....	2 65
Clinton.....	15 00	Shelby.....	5 00
Conklin.....	3 00	South Haven.....	5 71
Detroit, 1st.....	93 88	Stanton.....	15 00
Ellsworth.....	2 10	Three Oaks.....	13 18
Freeland.....	1 00	Vernon.....	1 00
Grand Blanc.....	5 00	Watervliet.....	8 40
Grand Rapids, 2nd.....	17 00	Wheatland.....	12 85
Grand Rapids, South.....	5 00	W. H. M. U.....	65 65
Grandville.....	1 81	Cheboygan Association.....	12 00
Greenville.....	6 00	Detroit.....	12 60
Hart.....	5 00	Eastern.....	19 88
Highland.....	3 00	Genesee.....	8 81
Hilliards.....	20 00	Gladstone.....	4 14
Hopkins, 2nd.....	12 00	Grand Rapids.....	17 50
Hudson.....	17 00	Grand Traverse.....	10 20
Imlay City.....	7 40	Kalamazoo.....	11 77
Jackson, 1st.....	10 00	Lake Superior.....	14 75
Lansing, Plymouth.....	35 00	Lansing.....	16 57
Leroy.....	5 00	Muskegon.....	10 91
Manistee.....	20 38	Saginaw.....	5 44
Merrill.....	5 57	Sault Ste. Marie.....	3 86
Middleville.....	3 56	Southern.....	7 84
Muskegon, 1st.....	25 00	State Association Offering.....	36 62
Northport.....	5 15	A Friend.....	100 00
Old Mission.....	2 24	Mrs. F. A. Avery.....	1 00
Olivet.....	5 30	Draft returned.....	25 00
Pittsford.....	1 00	Interest on permanent funds.....	253 20
Port Huron, 1st.....	10 00		
Port Huron, Ross Memorial.....	1 00		

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REPORT OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES.

The Board of Trustees of the Michigan Congregational Conference submits the following report:

During the year there have been held three meetings of the Executive Committee and three meetings of the Board of Trustees. Mr. L. Z. Caukin resigned as member of the Board of Trustees and of the Executive Committee, and Rev. E. W. Bishop was elected to fill his place on both boards, but declined to serve. The place has remained vacant. Rev. W. A. Minty, having removed out of the state, resigned as a member of the Board of Trustees and of the Executive Committee, and Rev. Wm. Wiedenhoeft was elected to fill his place on both boards. Rev. W. A. Minty resigned as registrar, and Mr. C. A. Gower was elected to fill his place.

All matters pertaining to the corporate welfare of Congregational Michigan that have been brought to the attention of the Board, all routine affairs concerning the work of administration, and many matters of importance relating to the more effective adjustment of the various branches of our State work, have received careful consideration.

In view of the pressure upon the Superintendent's time and in order to relieve him of all embarrassment in soliciting funds, the treasurer was instructed to send out over his signature all appeals to the churches for funds for state work.

A committee on the Apportionment Plan consisting of Mr. F. E. Bogart, Rev. B. H. Burtt, and the Superintendent, was appointed and instructed to send out a circular letter to all pastors and churches recommending that the churches consider and approve the general purpose and method of the Plan, but that great care be taken to safe-guard the interests of our State work. The circular letter was mailed December 9, 1910.

A committee consisting of Mr. C. B. Stowell, Mr. L. P. Haight and the Superintendent, was appointed to confer with the Woman's Boards in the state looking toward a closer union and more effective work. The Conference was held in Detroit, December 15, 1910.

The agreement with the Sunday-school and Publishing Society which has been in existence for the past two years was renewed for another year beginning March 1, 1911. By the terms of this agreement all funds received from the state, except such as may be designated for special purposes, are to be divided equally between the Sunday-school and Publishing Society and the Michigan Congregational Conference, and these two organizations are to support jointly a Sunday-school Missionary in the state. All offerings for this work are to be sent to the State Treasurer at the Lansing office and all such payments from the churches and Sunday-schools will be credited to their apportionments.

The Louise Corning Bartlett Bequest which has been in litigation for several years has been settled in favor of the Michigan Home Missionary Society. The amount of the bequest is \$5,000 which is to be held in trust, and only the interest thereon is to be available. The expense of litigation was considerably in excess of the accrued interest.

Your Board makes the following recommendations:

1. That we reaffirm the wisdom of having all Licentiates appear for examination before the State Committee on Course of Study at the annual meeting of the Conference, and that we recommend all the Local Associations to adopt this procedure by formal vote.

2. That in view of the decrease in Home Missionary receipts, partly due to the confusion incident to the adoption of the Apportionment Plan, and partly due to the change in the fiscal year, we recommend that the State Treasurer be instructed to send to the pastors and clerks of the churches quarterly statements of their payments to Home Missions, and that the churches be urged to make quarterly payments to the State Treasurer, unless the apportionment is paid in full early in the year.

3. That we reaffirm our approval of the general purpose and methods of the Apportionment Plan. We recommend that the Local Associations which have not taken definite action with reference to this Plan, give consideration to it at their fall meetings, and that the amounts apportioned to said Local Associations be apportioned by them to the churches within their bounds. We further recommend that all the churches make an earnest effort to meet their apportionment in full to all our benevolent societies; but, if the apportionment cannot be met in full for all the societies, that care be given first to meet the apportionment to Home Missions in full, or at least secure for the State Work as much as the churches have been giving to it in recent years. We further recommend that Supt. Sutherland be instructed to inform Mr. S. T. Johnson, Chairman of the National Council Apportionment Commission, of this action, and to suggest that the working out of the details of the Apportionment Plan with the churches of Michigan be left in the hands of the State Board of Trustees.

4. That in view of an unusual interest which is being manifested in the consolidation of the Church and the Society, and in view of some objectionable features in the Acts of 1901 providing for such consolidation, we recommend that a Committee of Five be appointed to prepare a Bill or Bills remedying these objectionable features, to be reported to the Executive Committee for approval as soon as possible, said committee of five to act in securing the enactment of such measures at the next Legislature.

5. That in order to effect a closer union between the work of the Woman's Boards and the Michigan Congregational Conference, we recommend that a representative of the W. B. M. I. and of the W. H. M. U. of Michigan be elected as members at large on the State Board of Trustees.

6. That in order further to unify all departments of our State Work the Committee on Ministerial Relief be made a sub-Committee of the Board of Trustees.

7. That in view of the action of the National Council in suggesting that the tax be raised from 2 to 3 cents per member; and in view of the greatly enlarged service which is being rendered by our state workers to all the churches, the state tax be increased from 4 cents to 7 cents per member.

8. That the percentage basis in the division of funds for home missions contributed by Michigan to the State and National Societies be as follows: 85 per cent to be given to the Michigan Congregational Conference and 15 per cent to the Congregational Home Missionary Society up to \$19,000, exclusive of legacies, and that all sums above \$19,000, except such as are pledged for special purposes, shall be given to the National Society.

9. That Mr. F. E. Bogart and Rev. N. S. Bradley be nominated for trustees of the Congregational Home Missionary Society.

10. That in order to provide for the initiation of New Work a Special Fund to be known as the Michigan Congregational Extension Fund be established. The Church Building Society has been exceedingly generous in helping our churches to pay last bills, but unless some help can be ob-

tained in paying first bills, there will be no last bills to pay. We recommend that said Special Fund be administered by the Trustees of the Michigan Congregational Conference subject to the following conditions:

1. The fund shall be used exclusively for the initiation of new work in the State of Michigan and for the strengthening of old work in such strategic places in the state as may be deemed wise by the Trustees.
2. It shall only be used for the erection of church buildings or for the purchase of real estate on which it is purposed to erect such buildings.
3. Real estate purchased by the Trustees from this fund may be sold to local churches, but only upon such terms as will fully reimburse the fund, and all deferred payments must be satisfactorily secured, either by land contract or by first mortgage upon the real estate sold.
4. No loan shall be made to any church either for the purchase of real estate or for the erection of a building, unless repayment of such loan is secured by a first mortgage upon real estate of a value at least 50 per cent greater than the amount of the loan.
5. Any part of the fund not in use shall be invested in approved securities and all interest on such securities and on loans or advances made from the fund shall be added to said fund.
11. That Superintendent J. W. Sutherland succeed himself at his present compensation.
12. That the Trustees, having received a communication from the Chicago Theological Seminary in reference to contributions to the current expenses of that institution from the churches of Michigan, recommend to the Conference to return a sympathetic answer, through its Registrar, suggesting to the treasurer of the seminary to take such measures as in his judgment shall best elicit the benevolence of the churches.
13. That the Conference appoint 22 delegates to the 19th Triennial Convention of Chicago Theological Seminary, to be held in Carpenter Chapel, 40 North Ashland Boulevard, Chicago, Illinois, on Tuesday, May 7, 1912, at 10 o'clock a. m.

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REPORT OF THE OLIVET DAY COMMITTEE.

The Committee appointed at the last meeting of the Conference to arrange for a contribution from the churches of Michigan to Olivet College for current expenses, respectfully present the following report:

The Committee have corresponded diligently with the churches, having sent out four successive circular communications, with a large number of special, personal letters. The circulars are submitted with this report for the information of the Conference. Of the 330 churches addressed, 81 made answer. Of these 47 promised to make a contribution to the college, and 34 declined. From these churches there has already been secured \$807.02, as follows:

Big Rapids	\$5 65	Saginaw, First.....	\$110 65
Carmel.....	5 29	" W. R. Burt	500 00
Portland	7 13	Grand Rapids, South.	10 00
Greenville	25 00	Leslie	9 30
Drummond		Ypsilanti.....	18 00
(Mrs. McAdam)...	1 00	Olivet.....	100 00
Union City.....	5 00		
Lansing, Plymouth..	10 00		\$807 02

From information we have received we think it probable that a full \$1,000 may be received during the current year.

It is to be expected that this amount will be considerably increased during the next year. Such an effort as this ordinarily starts slowly. Churches which have not been accustomed to give to education need to become accustomed to the idea. Olivet is little more than a name to many of the churches. They require time to become acquainted with its work and its worth. The small churches, which might take a small collection and profit by this immediate contact with the outside world, generally think they can do nothing. They will gradually learn that they can be of real help to others, and will grow by actually giving.

Respectfully submitted.

CHARLES W. GARFIELD,
E. J. MILLINGTON,
FRANK H. FOSTER,
Committee.

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REPORT OF VISITOR TO OLIVET COLLEGE.

To the State Association at Port Huron:

It was my good fortune to receive the appointment last year of visitor to Olivet College, an office which I attempted to perform last autumn. As your representative, I took occasion to spend a few days at the college as the guest of Pres. Lancaster. During the time allotted me I preached at the village church, lectured before the student body in the chapel, addressed the Men's Club, and visited quite a number of classes; thus coming into personal contact with various members of the faculty and their work. To the kindly and generous hospitality shown me I can bear faithful testimony. As an entire stranger to Olivet College, never having been within "striking" distance before, I was ready to receive whatever impressions should come, without bias or prejudice. The result of these impressions upon my own mind was positively and distinctly favorable. Let me analyze them a little more in detail.

First, the location of Olivet is advantageous. It is generally conceded that professional and post-graduate work can best be done in the large centers. Not a few believe that the cultural and foundational work of a college course can best be accomplished in just such a physical environment as Olivet finds herself in. "Bigness" is not necessarily "greatness." The time will come when the small college will again command every confidence as it has done in the past. There is some evidence that the race to the cities and reliance upon numbers is waning. Amherst College has exercised an influence upon New England and even wider, out of all proportion to her numbers at any given time. Olivet can be the Amherst of Michigan. With her environs swept by pure air instead of foul smoke, within easy reach of a thickly populated country and large cities, with her own ideals dominating the immediate vicinage, and with the student body saved from many unnecessary temptations and distractions, Olivet's location is surely in her favor in the work that she, as a college, hopes to do.

Second, the material equipment of the college is strong in many respects and could be mighty strengthened in others. An adequate endowment is the most crying need; such an endowment as would provide increased facilities for research work, for adequate salaries, and which

would release the position of president from that of "money-getter" for that of a teacher and trainer of youth. It is a sad waste of energy that compels so many of our college presidents to forsake the class room in order to gather funds for the maintenance of the institution over which they have been placed. Yet this diversion of energy into lower channels must take place until adequate endowments are forthcoming.

One cannot walk over the campus of Olivet without seeing visions. Splendid use is being made of the facilities already acquired. The library is, on the whole, favorably housed, and through the management made practically serviceable. The natural history museum perhaps cannot be reduplicated in the west. The laboratories are hives of industry. The art department is making its little count to the utmost. Give Olivet a stately chapel, one or two new dormitories, an administration and class room building, let the plan of a symmetrically developed campus be worked out, and Michigan will have no reason to be ashamed of her goodly Congregational enterprise.

Third, the best thing about a college is not its brick and stone; nor even its well equipped laboratories. Its chiefest source of pride, as well as its most compelling voice, is to be found in its teachers. Too much praise cannot be given to the talented and earnest men who make up the college faculty. Gathering them from every quarter, all sufficiently trained, Pres. Lancaster is to be congratulated on the teaching staff he has chosen to surround him. It is to be hoped that this body of instructors can be held together and gradually increased. If so, certain rich years, fat years, influential years, will surely come. Our Congregational churches should get in touch with these men, they should be heard in our pulpits; they should address our different church organizations, and with the increase of sympathy between them and us, with the welding together of our intellectual and spiritual interests, which after all are identical, ecclesiastical and educational Congregationalism in Michigan will move forward mightily.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWIN W. BISHOP.

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REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON INTERDENOMINATIONAL COMITY.

The Committee on Interdenominational Comity begs leave to submit the following report:

The members of your committee have met twice during the past year with similar representatives of other denominations in the state. Both meetings were held in Detroit, and were attended by representatives of the Baptist, Methodist, Presbyterian, Episcopal, Disciple, United Brethren, Adventist, and Congregational denominations. There was much friendly discussion of the relations of the denominations, and of the desirability of their co-operation in the establishment of new churches, and in the maintenance of religious work in over-churched communities. Perfect good feeling characterized these discussions, but no actual attack has yet been made upon any of the problems involved.

Your committee recommends that a committee of three persons on Interdenominational Comity be continued, and herewith submits for printing in the minutes, at the discretion of the Superintendent and Registrar, the Constitution of the Michigan Federation of Churches.

Respectfully,
C. S. PATTON.

THE MICHIGAN FEDERATION OF CHURCHES.

Two questions of importance are in the minds of thinking people: one, whether present denominational policies are meeting the needs of changing social conditions; the other, is America in danger of becoming an un-Christian nation? These two questions are related, and by some it is thought that the second exists because of the first. An age of co-operation presents to the church lessons which should lead to denominational federation. Federation does not mean making the churches one, but convincing the public that they are one, by evading, in the future, the errors of over-looking needs and over-lapping fields. This can be done without injustice to denominational convictions by giving emphasis to the great unities of our common faith which are more numerous and important than our differences.

That our position on several points of importance may be clearly understood, and that possible difficulties may be evaded in the future, we present the following

STATEMENT OF PRINCIPLES.

1. No community in which any denomination has any legitimate claim should be entered by any other denomination through its official agencies without conference with the denomination or denominations having said claims.
2. A feeble church should be revived, if possible, rather than a new one established to become its rival.
3. The preference of a community should always be respected by denominational committees, missionary committees and individual workers.
4. Those denominations having churches nearest at hand should, other things being equal, be recognized as in the most advantageous position to encourage and aid a new enterprise in their vicinity.
5. In case one denomination has established work in a destitute community, it should be left to develop that work without other denominations interfering.
6. Temporary suspension of church work by any denomination occupying a field should not be considered sufficient warrant in itself for entrance into that field by another denomination.
7. When it is clearly evident that a community is over-churched, the principle of eliminating the weaker church or churches, and of consolidating the entire Christian population in fewer and stronger churches, should be encouraged.
8. All questions of interpretation of foregoing statements, and all cases of friction between different denominations or churches of different denominations, shall be referred to its executive committee.

CONSTITUTION.

Article I.—Name.

This organization shall be called the Michigan Federation of Churches and shall be auxiliary to the Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America.

Article II.—Object.

Sec. 1. The object of the Federation shall be the promotion of effective co-operation among the churches and Christian workers of the State

of Michigan, in order that their sense of unity may be manifested; that the evangelization of every community may be more systematically accomplished; that a means may be found for expressing the united Christian sentiment of the State in regard to moral issues: that the various Christian and benevolent activities of the commonwealth may be more completely co-ordinated, and that other appropriate ends may be secured.

Sec. 2. It shall be its object to promote co-operation in the organization and maintenance of churches in Michigan; to prevent waste of resources and effort in small towns, and to stimulate missionary work in the destitute regions.

Article III.—Executive Committee.

The denominations uniting in the work of this Federation shall act through an Executive Committee, who shall be elected annually by the affiliating denominations, the number being determined by the By-Laws. Seven members shall constitute a quorum, provided that not less than three denominations are represented.

Article IV.—Annual Meeting.

The annual meeting of the Federation shall be held on the second Tuesday in November at such place as the Executive Committee shall determine.

Article V.—Duties of the Executive Committee.

It shall be the duty of the Executive Committee to establish such rules and regulations as shall be necessary to make effective the work of the Federation, and to make annual report of the Federation to each affiliating body.

Article VI.—Officers.

The Executive Committee shall, at its annual meeting, elect a President, a Vice President, a Recording Secretary and a Treasurer, each to serve one year, or until his successor is elected. The Executive Committee shall also appoint such other officers and committees as the By-Laws or needs of the Federation require.

Article VII.—Amendments.

This constitution may be altered or amended at any regular meeting of the Executive Committee, provided that the Secretary shall have given written notice to each member of the Committee at least thirty days previous to the meeting.

BY-LAWS.

1. *Members:* The members of the Executive Committee shall consist of and be elected as follows: By the Methodist Episcopal Church, four members; by the Baptist, Congregational, Protestant, Episcopal and Presbyterian Churches, three each; by other Churches having less than twenty-five thousand members, two representatives each.

2. *Committees:* The following sub committees shall be appointed by and from the Executive Committee:

1. Committee on Home Missions.
2. Committee on Research and Information.
3. Committee on Social Service, and a Business Committee con-

sisting of the officers and one member from each denomination not represented in the list of officers.

3. *Regular Meeting Executive Committee.* The regular meetings of the Executive Committee shall occur on the second Tuesday of November, February, May and August. Special meetings may be held at the call of the President.

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REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON NECROLOGY.

Seventieth Annual Meeting of the Michigan Congregational Conference, May 16-18, 1911, Port Huron, Mich.

REV. JOSEPH GLASSON

Was born in Helston, Cornwall, England, on the 10th day of April, 1836. His father was one of those yeoman freeholders who in the years of the past exercised so much influence in national affairs.

A considerable farm had been in the possession of the Glasson family for three hundred years. Mr. Glasson, Senior, was an ardent Methodist, but Joseph in early life left the older connection and joined the United Methodist Free Church. In that body he became a useful and prosperous preacher. After seven years of service he resigned his position and entered as a student in a Congregational College, in Bradford, Yorkshire, England. At the termination of a three years course, he received a unanimous call to the Congregational Church in Eston, Yorkshire. On entering on his pastorate there, he was ordained; he labored with great acceptance there for five years. Receiving an urgent call from the church at Norristhorpe, Heckmonwicke, he accepted the invitation and remained there five years. Influenced by the representations of Superintendent Leroy Warren of the Michigan Congregational Home Missionary Society, and others, he decided on leaving his country and entering on Home Mission work in the United States. Shortly after his arrival here, he took charge of the church at Gaylord. But, owing to failing health, he closed his ministry there at the end of the second year.

Although unable to continue the work of the pastorate, he frequently conducted services in surrounding churches, receiving at all times a cordial welcome.

Mrs. Glasson, formerly Miss Bath of Helston, Cornwall, shared with him the cares and responsibilities of the pastor's life for forty-seven years. She passed to the Heavenly Home a year before the call came to him. The hour of departure, April 4, 1910, found him waiting in expectant faith.

There were four children; two were buried in England; two still survive.

REV. CHARLES S. TUBBS

Was born in Lansing, Mich., August 4, 1878. At the age of seventeen he became a member of Pilgrim Church, Lansing. He graduated from Olivet College with the class of 1903, and entered Oberlin Theological Seminary the following year. He was married in June, 1905, to Mary E. Curry of Olean, New York. While a student in Oberlin, he served the Mayflower Congregational Church at Toledo. He was ordained, May, 1907, at First Church, Oberlin, for foreign missionary service, and was appointed by the American Board to Fen-chou-fu station in Shansi, China. Compelled

to give up his plan for foreign work, he entered upon the pastorate at Wacousta, Mich., and served two years. In May, 1909, he went to Clinton, Mich. Soon after entering upon a second year of work at Clinton, while acting as leader for a Y. M. C. A. camp at Silver Lake, Mr. Tubbs was drowned, June 24, 1910. He was characterized as "a young man of transparent sincerity and purity of life." "His fidelity to every task committed to him and his spirit of cheerfulness were marked by all who knew him." "His work in the ministry was fruitful and full of promise for the future." "He had been particularly successful in his work with boys."

The funeral services were held on the fifth anniversary of his wed-
ding, June 27th, at Clinton, conducted by his lifelong friend and former
pastor, Rev. Ernest Bourner Allen of Toledo, assisted by the local clergy.
The stores of the village closed during the services and every mark of
sorrow and respect was shown. A memorial service was held at Pilgrim
Church, Lansing, Sunday, July 3rd. Mr. Tubbs left a wife and two little
daughters.

REV. GEORGE C. EMPSON

Was born in England, Oct. 25th, 1842, and, after studying for the min-
istry, filled a number of pastorates in his native country, the last being
at Stretford, near Manchester. He came to the United States in 1883
and located, first at Wayne, Mich., where he remained five years. From
there he went to Sault Ste. Marie where he served as pastor of the Con-
gregational Church three years. In 1890 he went to Gladstone as pastor
of the Congregational Church which he continued to serve until the time
of his death which occurred July 2nd, 1910, after a prolonged illness from
an affection of the heart which was near the end complicated with paral-
ysis. Mr. Empson was a scholarly and thoughtful preacher, character-
ized by great liberality in his belief and a fine tolerance for those of all
other beliefs. He was widely known and greatly respected because of
his largeness of heart and fine Christian bearing. His funeral services
were conducted at the Congregational Church of Gladstone, Tuesday,
July 5th, at 3 o'clock, Rev. E. J. Warren, of the Alice Memorial Methodist
Church officiating, assisted by Rev. J. Edgar Wilson, pastor of the Pres-
byterian Church of Gladstone. He is survived by his wife, one son and
five daughters, who are: Attorney G. R. Empson, of Gladstone, Mrs. D.
M. Landreth, of Salt Lake City, Utah, Mrs. A. P. Smith, of Escanaba,
and the Misses Lillian, Ailwyn and Ethelyn Empson, of Gladstone.

REV. FRANKLIN LINES

Was born in Lancaster Co., Pa., April 11, 1848. In early life he was a
minister in the M. E. church in Illinois. His reasons for leaving the M.
E. ministry were thoroughly honorable to him. For several years he was
engaged in the prohibition work as a public speaker and made a good rec-
ord for himself. He entered upon his large field including the churches
at East Lake, Onekama and Pleasanton about two years ago, on the in-
troduction of Superintendent Sutherland. The churches, especially
Onekama and Pleasanton, had been without pastors for many years and
the work was in a sadly run down condition. It began to prosper at once
and continued to do so up to the time of Mr. Lines' death. He was a man
of fine ability, of unusually genial spirit, and a tireless and constructive
worker. He was married September 14th, 1910, to Mrs. Clara P. Smith,
and twenty-one weeks later, Feb. 9th, 1910, he expired without warning,
as he was closing the mid-week service in the Onekama church. He was

universally respected and his influence will doubtless be felt on his large circuit for a long time. The funeral was held Saturday, Feb. 12th, from the church, which was filled to its capacity with friends and parishioners from the three churches. The officiating clergyman was Rev. John J. Staley of Manistee. An interesting and significant feature was the presence of six old soldiers, veterans of the Civil War, as was also Mr. Lines, who marched as escort of the remains, and read the G. A. R. ritual for the dead at the grave.

Besides Mrs. Lines, the surviving members of Mr. Lines' immediate family are two sons, one brother and three sisters. One son, Arthur S., of Chicago, Ill., and his brother, George S. Lines, of Hopkins, were at the funeral.

REV. LUTHER ERASMUS BROWN

Was born in Antwerp, Ohio, Jan. 14th, 1856. He removed with his parents to Michigan, when but a lad. He graduated from Otterbein College, Ohio, with degree of A. B., in 1880. He was a teacher in the public schools of Forman, Mich., from 1880 to 1881, and of Augusta, Mich., from 1881 to 1882, and of Sidney, Neb., from 1882 to 1884, and of Ogalalla, Neb., from 1884 to 1888. He was county superintendent of public schools in Nebraska from 1888 to 1890. While at Ogalalla, Neb., he was ordained to the Christian ministry. He was pastor of the Congregational Churches of Dickinson and Grand Forks, N. D., from 1890 to 1895, and of the Congregational Church of Bedford, Mich., from 1895 to 1900. He was the Superintendent and Assayer of the Fernando Development Company, California and Arizona from 1900 to 1904. He was pastor of the Congregational Church of Bridgeport, Mich., from 1904 to 1905, and of the Congregational Church of Wayne, Mich., from 1905 until his death which occurred March 7th, 1911. His funeral sermon was preached by his personal friend, Rev. Nelson S. Bradley, of Saginaw. Mr. Brown was a noble man and an able preacher, remarkably fearless and forceful in his ministry. His sincerity, frankness and earnestness commended him to the confidence and good will of all who knew him.

He was married to Minnie M. Stone, of Ogalalla, Neb., Oct. 10th, 1888. Mr. Brown is survived by his widow and two sons. The older son has had two years at the university and is now employed by the Government on the Panama Canal. He is also survived by a brother, Rev. H. A. Brown, Chaplain in the regular army.

REV. JONATHAN T. OTIS

Was born March 13th, 1834, in Bath, New York, where he lived until 1867, excepting the one year of service he gave to his country during the war. From there he moved to Starkey, New York, where he and his father engaged in the then rather new enterprise, in that state, of grape culture in a commercial way. It was during the years in which he was pursuing this business that he fully decided to follow as his life work what he had always desired to do, the ministry, and commenced his preparation, which he had been prevented from doing in his earlier life owing to his health being inadequate to the college and seminary course. After a few years of home study he was licensed by the Presbytery, when he served for two years one of its churches near his own home, spending the week at his home in study, and in work in his vineyard.

In 1876 he moved to Michigan, and was called immediately to the pastorate of one of our Congregational churches and ordained by council. After serving one or two years in this state, he accepted

a call to a parish in Dakota, where he remained for a brief period, going from there to Nebraska where he gave a few years of faithful service. He was then called to the pastorate of the Congregational church at Grand Junction, this state, which he served for about seven years, closing his pastoral relationship to the church in 1904. He continued to reside at Grand Junction, suffering very greatly in his health and bearing with rare patience and fortitude his trial. These sufferings are said to have tempered his spirit into Christ character beautifully. He was a man of clear, strong, positive convictions of Christian truth, unfaltering faith in God, and confident hope for the future, whose memory must prove salutary in the community in which he lived and in the hearts and lives of all who knew him. Mr. Otis is survived by his widow, Mrs. Anna P. Otis, who was his second wife, by one son by his first wife, James Arthur Otis, Hartford, Conn., and by two brothers and one sister: Theodore, of Prescott, Arizona; Theron P., of Wellesville, New York, and Mrs. Emily Kelley, of Oneida, New York.

REV. J. M. WARREN

Was born sixty-seven years ago, on the old homestead in Shelby township, Macomb county, Michigan, living there until the outbreak of the Civil War, when he went to Mt. Clemens, enlisted as corporal and helped muster into active service the 9th Mich. Vol. Inf. He was promoted to Second Lieutenant and served in all four years and four months, or until the war was over. Afterwards he spent a year in the west, then returned to Michigan and was married to Laura F. Howe of Davis, Mich.

After his marriage, he engaged in farming until about twenty-five years ago, when he entered the ministry and served the Congregational churches at Minden City, West Branch, Lewiston, Potterville and Cooper, in the order named.

Mr. Warren died at his home in Olivet, Mich., April 24, 1911. His health had been failing for the past eight years and last fall a hard sickness generally depleted his condition. He rallied from this, however, and was able to be around the house until about ten weeks before his death, after which he failed rapidly. Death was due to a general broken down condition. Short funeral services were held at his house at 2:30 Wednesday afternoon, April 26th, his pastor, Rev. A. F. Skeel officiating. The interment was in Preston cemetery, Macomb county. He is survived by his widow and their children, the Misses Jennie and Mary Warren of Olivet, Mrs. L. K. Sherwood, of Kalamazoo, Mrs. H. B. Fuller and Mrs. E. H. Woughter, of West Branch, Otis H. Warren, of Detroit, and W. T. Warren, of Alpena.

REV. CHARLES W. CARRICK

Was the son of Charles and Jane I. Boggs Carrick, and was born in the northern part of Ireland, May 14th, 1842. He came to New York City at the age of seven. When only a boy of ten years he was left an orphan and lived for several years with relatives in New York.

In the early 60's he came to Michigan, enlisted at the first call for volunteers in the Civil War, 1861, and served throughout the entire war. He was but a lad of nineteen when he joined Company E, 1st Michigan Infantry, as a private and received honorable discharge as a captain at the close of the war.

In 1862 he was united in marriage to Helen M. Randall, of Burlington, Mich. This union was not severed till the year 1909, when his beloved wife was called home. To them seven children were born, four of

whom are living: W. H. Carrick, of Grand Rapids, Mich.; C. H. Carrick, Charlotte, Mich.; Mattie J. McConnell, Fenton, Mich., and H. E. Carrick, Uriachsville, Ohio.

September 28th, 1910, he was united in marriage to Mrs. M. E. Fisher, of Petersburg, who survives him.

Following the Civil War, for some years Mr. Carrick engaged in secular pursuits, frequently making public addresses and occupying pulpits. In 1881 he was ordained to the Congregational ministry and from that time forward, barring interruption on account of the final protracted illness of his first wife, he rendered more or less continuous and very faithful service to many churches, nearly all within the bounds of Michigan, preaching his last sermon only two weeks before he died. His death occurred May 10th, 1911, at his home in New Haven, Mich., when he had been pastor of the churches at New Haven and Chesterfield only about eight months. He was a man of sterling character, fine Christian spirit and brotherly disposition, genial and affable in his intercourse with others, and who made many warm friends, both young and older, and whose life was very genuinely and widely "a sweet savor of Christ unto God."

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY WM. HUNT.
M. H. WALLACE.

Port Huron, Mich., May 16-18, 1911.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON MINISTERIAL RELIEF.

[By inadvertence this report was not presented to the Conference during its session at Port Huron, and is inserted in the proceedings for information as to the work accomplished and suggestions as to the administration of this department of our work.]

To the Board of Trustees of the Michigan Congregational Conference:

Your Committee on Ministerial Relief beg to report as follows:

The Secretary, Rev. Frank Blomfield, having been unexpectedly called to the charge of a church in the state of Vermont, less has been done in the soliciting of financial aid from churches and individuals than in previous years, but, owing to the working of the apportionment plan, it is hoped contributions have been but slightly affected. Three hundred and eight appeals were mailed to our pastors in the usual way. During the year two of our beneficiaries, one the widow of a minister who, during his lifetime did much to assist in establishing churches in the state, and in founding one of our theological schools in the west, the other an aged and esteemed brother, have been removed to the fellowship of the saints above. The present number receiving relief is eight — less than for some years. The quarterly grants have been promptly paid. The draft for a grant to a widow, who died a few days before it was received, was returned to the Secretary by the relatives of the deceased. Your committee, after careful inquiry, have had to decline aid to an applicant whose years of service in the Congregational churches of the state were too few to permit of his being placed upon our list. One application has been endorsed to the Congregational Board of Ministerial Relief (The National Council Fund).

In accordance with the action of the National Council, particulars of contributing churches to our Fund in the state have been furnished to

Dr. Wm. A. Rice, Secretary of the Congregational Board of Ministerial Relief.

Your committee beg respectfully to suggest,

1. That the granting of aid to applicants should be finally decided upon by the action of the Executive Committee of your Board.
2. That the work of the Secretary of the Ministerial Relief Fund should be centered at the Congregational rooms, Lansing.
3. That the time has come for a closer connection between "The Congregational Board of Ministerial Relief" and The Ministerial Relief Fund of "The Michigan Congregational Conference."

The financial statement will be found in the report of the Treasurer of the Conference.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

F. A. FISH,
WM. H. STRONG,
FRANK BLOMFIELD,
Committee.

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REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EXAMINATION AND COURSE OF STUDY.

We have had before us for examination and consultation fifteen men.

Mr. Burton D. Snook is advised to take the first year's course.

Mr. W. E. Lyon is recommended to take the second year's work and also to bring up his work on the first year's reading course. Mr. E. Woolley is passed to the second year. Mr. D. McKenzie is recommended to complete more perfectly the work of the first year but it is hoped he may be able one year from now to take the examinations on the second year's work. Mr. R. W. Paul is passed to the second year. Mr. Harold Heafield, not having had the opportunity of the first year's work, is recommended upon the basis of previous study and experience, and of a paper written for the Committee, to begin the course of study with the second year. Mr. George D. Lyford who was advanced last year to the work of the second year did not appear before the Committee on account of sickness in his family, but upon the basis of the work presented in writing, he is given partial credit for his second year's work and recommended to complete the same during the coming year.

Mr. W. C. Bowins is passed to the work of the third year. Mr. W. A. A. Shipway is recommended to appear for his final examinations next year. Mr. W. Parker is a graduate of the Moody Institute; he is advised to read the course which he is expected, on the basis of his previous work, to be able to complete in one year.

The following candidates have passed satisfactory examinations upon the three year's work and are recommended to their associations for ordination: Mr. E. F. Gray, Mr. P. Arthur Arnold, Mr. John M. McLeod, Mr. Archie McCallum. Mr. C. C. Lowther and Mr. Fred Errington have not pursued our Course of Study, but examination shows them to have done the equivalent of it and they are also recommended for ordination.

The Committee wishes especially to commend the work of the six men who have this year completed the Course of Study and to thank all the candidates for their hearty co-operation. The Committee believes

that if such co-operation can be continued through a period of years the effect upon the ministry of our state will be pronounced. The Committee further recommends to all candidates the use of the Conference Circulating Library; and in conclusion expresses its desire, by correspondence, personal interview or otherwise, to give every possible aid to those who are preparing themselves for our ministry.

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REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS.

The Committee on Resolutions beg leave to report the following resolutions for your consideration:

1. That this Conference hereby expresses its assurance of appreciation and sincere thanks for the invitation that this annual gathering be held in this beautiful city and church; for the bountiful hospitalities received by us all in their homes; for many personal favors extended to us, and for the attentions shown us by many of the citizens of Port Huron in the delightful excursions given to the delegates and visitors about their city Wednesday afternoon.
2. That this Conference also thanks the Business Committee and all the other committees and officers of the conference for their faithful services, which have given so much interest to the meetings and success to our deliberations, and also to all speakers who have rendered special service in extended addresses.

We shall return to our homes with pleasant recollections of the days spent in Port Huron.

GEO. M. LANE,
M. H. WALLACE,
M. LEE GRANT.

MICHIGAN HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

Officers.

<i>President</i>	Rev. Benjamin H. Burtt, Ludington
<i>Vice-President</i>	Mr. F. E. Bogart, Detroit
<i>Secretary and Treasurer</i>	C. A. Gower, Lansing

Articles of Association.

ARTICLE I.

The name assumed by this corporation, and by which it shall be known in law, is the Michigan Home Missionary Society.

ARTICLE II.

The object of this Society shall be to promote the organization of Congregational churches in Michigan, to aid churches in the support of their local ministry and work, to co-operate with the national Congregational Home Missionary Society in the cause of missions in other states and territories, and to diffuse Christian knowledge within this State by missionaries, publication and such other means, agencies and instrumentalities as may be necessary therefor.

ARTICLE III.

The annual meeting for the election of officers and the transaction of other business shall be held on the Thursday next after the third Tuesday of May in each year, at the hour of nine o'clock a. m., at the place where the annual meeting of the Michigan Congregational Conference shall be held. If any exigency arise which necessitates a change in the time of the annual meeting of the Michigan Congregational Conference the date of the annual meeting of this Society may, by vote of the officers, upon due notice, be changed to correspond with that of the annual meeting of the Michigan Congregational Conference.

ARTICLE IV.

The trustees of the Michigan Congregational Conference shall be *ex-officiis* the trustees of the said Society and shall have, in relation to the business, funds and all other interests of said Society the same powers, rights and duties, which are given them as trustees of the said Michigan Congregational Conference.

The annual meeting of the trustees shall be held at the time of, or immediately after the annual meeting of the Michigan Congregational Conference, and eleven members of the Board shall constitute a quorum.

Said Board shall receive, hold, control, invest, reinvest and expend

all moneys or property given or bequeathed in trust or otherwise to the Michigan Home Missionary Society and shall apply the same or the proceeds thereof, to the work of said Society or to such branch thereof as may be designated in the will or bequest of the donors: *Provided*, however, that the Society may make such application through the agency of the Board of Trustees of the Michigan Congregational Conference and its agencies, if in their judgment it shall seem desirable so to do. Said Board of Trustees or the executive committee thereof may be made the agents of the Board of Trustees of the Michigan Home Missionary Society for the purpose of making such application, with such powers in relation thereto as may be granted by the Board of Trustees of said Society.

ARTICLE V.

The membership of this Society shall consist of the members of the Michigan Congregational Conference, and of life members, to be elected or appointed in such manner as this Society may hereafter provide, and also of nine delegates from the Woman's Home Missionary Union, to be elected annually by that body.

ARTICLE VI.

Twenty-five members of the Society present at any meeting legally assembled shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of all business.

ARTICLE VII.

Said corporation may hold real and personal property not to exceed in value the sum of five hundred thousand dollars, to be devoted exclusively to the prosecution in the State of Michigan of Christian work, as indicated in Article II of the constitution, by missionaries, publications and such other means, agencies, and instrumentalities as may be necessary therefor.

Said Michigan Home Missionary Society shall have power to receive and execute trusts for the general purposes of the said Society, and may receive, hold, invest, reinvest and expend all money and other property given or bequeathed in trust or otherwise to the said Michigan Home Missionary Society, and shall execute said trusts for the general purposes of the said corporation within the meaning of the acts under which the same is incorporated in accordance with the terms and conditions of said trusts.

ARTICLE VIII.

The term of existence of this corporation is fixed at thirty years from the date hereof.

Done at Olivet, Michigan, June 13, 1895.

Amended at Lansing, Michigan May 21, 1908.

Constitution and By-Laws.

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ARTICLE II.

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ARTICLE III.

The membership of this society shall consist of the members of the Michigan Congregational Conference and of life members, and also nine delegates from the Women's Home Missionary Union, to be elected annually by that body.

Any member of any Congregational Church in this state may become a life member of this Society upon the payment to the Society in his behalf of the sum of thirty dollars, and an election to such membership by a majority vote of the members present and voting at any meeting of this Society; it being provided that in connection with the gifts of churches, life membership is to be conferred only upon such persons as have been elected to this honor by the contributing churches; such election to be properly certified to the treasurer of this Society.

Any member of any Congregational church in this State shall be eligible to election to any office in this Society.

ARTICLE IV.

The officers of this Society shall be a President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer. They shall be elected by ballot at the annual meeting of the Society and shall hold their offices for one year and until their successors shall be elected and qualified.

Said officers shall furnish the Board of Trustees with any information required by them on all matters relating to their respective departments, and shall perform all other duties usually pertaining to these offices.

ARTICLE V.

The annual meeting of this Society shall be held on the Thursday next after the third Tuesday of May in each year, at the place where the annual meeting of the Michigan Congregational Conference shall be held.

Special meetings may be called whenever, in the unanimous opinion of the President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer, the interests of the Society so demand.

ARTICLE VI.

Twenty-five members of the Society, present at any meeting legally assembled, shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

ARTICLE VII.

The trustees of the Michigan Congregational Conference shall be *ex-officiis* the trustees of this Society. Their powers and duties shall be the same with reference to this Society, the conduct of its affairs and the administration of its property and interests as defined for the trustees of the said Congregational Conference in the constitution and by-laws thereof.

ARTICLE VIII.

The Society may, from time to time, adopt such rules as may be necessary for the dispatch of business.

ARTICLE IX.

The constitution and by-laws may be changed or amended at any regular meeting of the Society by a two-thirds vote of the members present, provided the intended change or amendment shall have been proposed in substance at the previous meeting.

BY-LAWS.

The fiscal year of this Society shall close at the same time as the fiscal year of the Michigan Congregational Conference.

MICHIGAN HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

SEVENTEENTH ANNUAL MEETING.

The Michigan Home Missionary Society was called to order by the President, Rev. B. H. Burtt.

The Society voted that the Conference scribes and nominating committee act in their respective capacities for the Society.

Rev. B. H. Burtt was elected president for the ensuing year. Mr. F. E. Bogart was elected vice president, and Mr. C. A. Gower was chosen secretary-treasurer for the ensuing year.

F. E. Bogart offered the following resolution which was adopted:

“Be it resolved, That the Board of Trustees of the Michigan Congregational Conference and its Executive Committee are hereby appointed the agents of this Board for the purpose of applying the funds of this Board to the purposes designated by the donors thereof, or to such other work of the Society as, in their judgment and discretion, may be best for the interests of such work.”

On motion the Society adjourned.

M. LEE GRANT, Scribe.

F. R. BUSH, Asst. Scribe.

MICHIGAN HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

Treasurer's Report.

REV. B. H. BURTT, President Michigan Home Missionary Society,

Dear Sir:—I hereby submit my report for the nine months ending December 31, 1910.

Very respectfully,

C. A. GOWER,

Treasurer.

Lansing, Mich., April 30, 1911.

C. A. GOWER, Treasurer,

In account with Michigan Home Missionary Society:

To balance on hand April 26, 1910:

Mrs. L. A. H. Childs Fund (par value of securities)	1,500 00
Nashville Church Property Fund (par value of securities)	1,500 00
	<u>\$3,000 00</u>
To receipts from interest on securities	75 00
" " " " New Work Fund	80 00
" " " " W. H. M. U.	<u>8,123 52</u>
	<u>3,278 52</u>
	<u>\$6,278 52</u>
By transfer to Home Miss. Dept. Mich. Cong. Conf.	3,278 52
Balance on hand Mrs. L. A. H. Childs Fund	1,500 00
" " " " Nashville Church Property	<u>1,500 00</u>
	<u>6,278 52</u>

The Nashville Church property Fund was constituted by the Trustees of the Michigan Home Missionary Society under the terms of contract (in our possession in duplicate) with the trustees of the Nashville Congregational Church upon the dissolution of that organization making the trustees of the Home Missionary Society custodians in trust for a term of fifteen years with the proviso that should a Congregational Church be organized in Nashville within that time, the money should revert to the newly organized church and that at the expiration of the fifteen years the money should be the property of the Michigan Home Missionary Society. During the fifteen years the proceeds to be used in the interest of Home Missions. This fund is invested in Flint (Mich.) Gas Co. Bonds Nos. 83, 113, 119, \$500 each, due November 1, 1924, interest 5 per cent., payable May 1 and November 1.

The Mrs. L. A. H. Childs Fund was constituted by the trustees of the Michigan Home Missionary Society from the bequest of Mrs. L. A. H. Childs, of Whittaker, Michigan. While the use of this fund is not restricted, it was the desire of the donor and has been the purpose of the trustees to treat this as a permanent fund, the proceeds of which should be used for Home Missions. This fund has been invested in LaPorte (Ind.) Gas Co. Bonds, Nos. 72, 81, 82, \$500 each. Due April 1, 1925, interest 5 per cent, due April 1 and October 1.

I hereby certify that I have examined the books and vouchers of C. A. Gower, treasurer of the Michigan Home Missionary Society, and find them correct. I also find that the securities above referred to are in the possession of the treasurer and are in safe keeping, deposited in a safety deposit box of the Lansing State Savings Bank.

FRANK B. MCKIBBIN,

Auditor.

Lansing, Mich., May 11, 1911.

MICHIGAN BRANCH W. B. M. I.

THIRTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL MEETING.

The thirty-eighth annual meeting of the Michigan Branch of the Woman's Board of Missions of the Interior was held in Plymouth Church, Lansing, March 29, 1911.

The meeting was opened by the President, Mrs. Louis P. Haight. All joined in the hymn, "The Church's One Foundation." The theme of the devotional service was Unity, John 17, and Mrs. C. B. Stowell led in prayer.

Dr. James S. Williamson, pastor of Plymouth Church, gave the address of welcome, which was responded to by Mrs. Edwin W. Bishop, of Grand Rapids.

The program of the morning consisted of the reports of the secretaries and treasurer, which showed a good year's work, if not the vigorous increase we should have welcomed.

Miss Wingate presented the greetings of the Woman's Board of Missions of the Interior, and the work recommended by the Board for 1911 was read and adopted by the Branch.

The afternoon session opened the program of the day, the object of which was a presentation of the various tasks placed in our hands.

Mrs. Daniel Upton led in a most appropriate devotional service with the main thought, "The joy of the Lord is your strength."

Mrs. A. O. Wheeler, Sr., read a very interesting paper on "Our Board and Its Work," and Mrs. B. F. Wade of Ludington read a paper written by Mrs. Geo. Benford of Grand Blanc on the Girls' Boarding School at Monastir, Turkey.

Miss Wingate of Chicago gave a most interesting account of her visit to the Girls' Boarding School at Dindigul in the Madras Mission, India.

Mrs. Carl Judson read a fine paper on Corona Institute, Guadalajara, Mexico, then Dr. Emma Boose Tucker told in an intensely interesting way of her work in Pang Chung, China, as a medical missionary.

At the evening session Miss Flora Heebner of the school at Taiku, China, told of the re-establishment of our work in Taiku and Shansi, after its destruction by the Boxer rebellion.

Dr. Francis F. Tucker followed with an earnest address about the awakening China and the opportunities awaiting on every side.

The program of the day had been interspersed with fine music which was warmly appreciated by the sixty-seven delegates and officers, and the assembled audience.

The 39th Annual Meeting will be held at Saginaw, March, 1911.

SUMMARY OF TREASURER'S REPORT.

From Senior Societies for support of six missionaries and partial support of four schools.....	\$5,011 25
From Young Ladies for Bridge Work	247 00
From Christian Endeavor and Young People Societies for Miss Daisy Gehman, later for Miss Edith Cold	245 00
From Sunday Schools, Jr. C. E. Soc. and Mission Bands, etc.	251 12
From other sources, interest, gifts, etc.	931 83
 Total receipts	7,314 17
Expenses	143 21
 Remitted to Mrs. Hurlbut, Treas. W. B. M. I.	\$7,170 96

REPORT OF THE W. H. M. U. OF MICHIGAN.

The thirtieth annual meeting of the Woman's Home Missionary Union of Michigan was held at Plymouth Congregational church, Lansing, March 30, 1911.

Report of officers were given as follows:

Board of Trustees, by Mrs. I. P. Powell, of Grand Rapids.

Executive Board, by Mrs. C. W. Wagner, of Ann Arbor.

Corresponding Secretary, by Mrs. H. L. Wilton, of Detroit.

Junior Work Secretary, by Miss Ella L. Wagner, of Ann Arbor.

Juvenile Work Secretary, by Mrs. F. E. Hammond, of Muskegon.

Literature Secretary, by Mrs. E. L. Edwards, of Traverse City.

Treasurer, by Mrs. C. K. McGee, of Ann Arbor.

Mrs. Rowland read a tribute to Mrs. E. F. Grabill, of Greenville, for twenty-five years the treasurer of the Union.

An address on The Work of the Schauffler Graduates was given by Miss Ella Hobart, of Cleveland.

Reports of the Boston Meetings in October, 1910, were given as follows:

"The National Council," by Mrs. C. B. Stowell, of Hudson.

"The American Missionary Association," by Mrs. H. A. Putnam, of Charlevoix.

"The Other Societies," by Mrs. A. C. Diefenbach, of Benton Harbor.

"The Michigan Brotherhood," by its president, Mr. L. P. Haight, of Muskegon, and the report of the official delegate, Mrs. I. P. Powell, of Grand Rapids.

Our Michigan interests were presented in a most interesting and vivid manner by the following officers of the Michigan Congregational Conference:

"Solving Home Missionary Problems," by Rev. C. B. Fellows, General Missionary.

"Some Experiences on the Frontier in Northern Michigan," by Rev. C. H. Harger, Sunday School Missionary, and a "Few Words," by Rev. J. W. Sutherland, Superintendent.

The following resolutions were recommended by the Executive Board, and on motion of Mrs. Powell were adopted:

Resolved, That the present percentage plan be followed for the coming year.

Resolved, That the State Treasurer be instructed to have printed, for distribution among the auxiliaries, separate percentage slips and remittance blanks, and

Resolved, That every auxiliary treasurer be instructed, when sending a remittance, to designate the object or objects to which said remittance should be applied.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year.

President—Mrs. C. R. Wilson, 69 Frederick Ave., Detroit.

1st Vice President—Mrs. I. P. Powell, Grand Rapids.

2nd Vice President—Mrs. M. M. Martin, 543 Church St., Ann Arbor.

3rd Vice President—Mrs. C. B. Stowell, Hudson.

4th Vice President—Mrs. E. G. Lancaster, Olivet.

5th Vice President—Mrs. Fred Crego, 256 Lathrop Ave., Detroit.

6th Vice President—Mrs. Frank E. Cooley, W. Main St., Lansing.

Corresponding Secretary—Mrs. H. L. Wilton, 523 Cass Ave., Detroit.

Assistant Corresponding Secretary—Miss Harriet Potter, 657 2nd Ave., Detroit.

Recording Secretary—Mrs. C. W. Wagner, 1017 Oakland Avenue, Ann Arbor.

Junior Secretary—Miss Ella L. Wagner, 106 Packard Street, Ann Arbor.

Juvenile Secretary—Miss Margaret White, Detroit.

Secretary of Literature—Mrs. E. L. Edwards, 523 Webster Street, Traverse City.

Treasurer—Mrs. C. K. McGee, 514 Thompson St., Ann Arbor.

Auditor—Mrs. H. A. Williams, Ann Arbor.

Trustees for three years:

Mrs. George Lane, Detroit.

Mrs. F. L. Chappell, Kalamazoo.

Mrs. L. Z. Caukin, Grand Rapids.

Delegate to Women's Home Missionary Federation:

Mrs. C. R. Wilson, Detroit.

Delegates to State Association at Port Huron:

Mrs. C. R. Wilson, Detroit.

Mrs. C. A. Gower, Lansing.

Mrs. John E. Coulter, Port Huron.

Mrs. S. O. Hartwell, Kalamazoo.

Mrs. Ray Potter, Lansing.

Mrs. H. L. Wilton, Detroit.

Mrs. R. E. Brackett, Lansing.

Mrs. E. W. Bishop, Grand Rapids.

Mrs. George O. Thompson, Owosso.

President for Lansing Association:

Mrs. George Hatfield, Lansing.

The report of the Corresponding Secretary gives in detail a view of the work in each of the associations, and is full of encouragement. It closes with the following optimistic note:

As we looked over the reports of the entire State we were gladdened at the number of societies, who in addition to their other work, were sending warmth and cheer into many places, by means of missionary boxes and barrels, gifts of fruit and flowers, and in other similar ways. Dr. Sutherland assures us of the deep appreciation of such boxes by our home missionaries, who often tell him they could hardly have gotten along without the extra help which came in that way. And though, sometimes, the thanks returned to the sender seemed inadequate when we reckon the efforts put forth, they do gladden the hearts of the receivers and help to make the work a bit easier. So let us not be harsh in our criticisms nor remiss in our efforts!

We still wish that a larger number of our Association presidents could meet with us at this annual meeting, for the sake of conference and helpfulness. It has been suggested that a contingent fund be established in each Association, which can be used towards defraying the expense of the president at such a time. Will you not make a note of this and report to your several societies and bring the matter up at your next Association meeting?

In this report we have no doubt overlooked many items of vital interest; for there are so many societies working along helpful lines. Each time we go over these reports, we feel a more profound respect for the women who are keeping the missionary spirit alive, often under great difficulty. For instance, we have in mind, one farming community, where the distance makes it difficult to hold meetings, and where the organization means but little; but where a consecrated woman as treasurer and solicitor, assumes the obligation of collecting the missionary money from the women of that parish and so retains their place in our society. While we think of the difficulties of the small societies however, let us not forget that the city churches also have their problems which are quite as perplexing and trying to solve. A short time ago, we listened to a portion of a devotional service, which had for its thought "the second mile." It is our duty and the conventional thing to go "the first mile," in the work we undertake, but the people we need today, are the ones who are willing to go just a bit farther, go the second mile, do the thing which is more than necessary to do. Will you be the one to do that in your society?

The report of the Secretary of Young People's Work deplores the failure of many of the local societies to answer inquiries as to their aims and efforts.

The Secretary of Juvenile work thinks that there never was a time when so much was being done to develop the true missionary spirit of service for others as now. This is not, however, being accomplished as largely as formerly through sepa-

rate juvenile societies as through the regular Sunday School classes.

The Secretary of Literature "Comes joyfully to report progress" in her department. She says that three times as many requests for literature have been made as during the previous year, and gives valuable suggestions as to the how, the what, and the where of getting the most helpful aids to the work.

During the nine months ending January 1, 1911, the Treasurer received:

From former treasurer.....	\$428.68
From auxiliaries.....	4217.05
From interest and dividends.....	1265.40
From individual contributions.....	9.50
From annual collection	19.22
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Total receipts.....	5939.85
The disbursements were	4666.81
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Leaving cash on hand.....	1273.04
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	\$5939.85

The invested fund of the Union are \$15,610.00.

THE LOCAL ASSOCIATIONS.

Cheboygan.

ORGANIZED, Feb. 13, 1878.

REGISTRAR, Rev. H. A. Putnam, Charlevoix.

MEETINGS—Second Wednesday of May and first Wednesday of November.

Churches.

Alba	Cheboygan	Hetherton	Mio
Atlanta	Eastport	Ironton	Rondo
Bellaire	Echo	Johannesburg	Vanderbilt
Big Rock	Ellsworth	Kalkaska	Wolverine
Central Lake	Excelsior	Lewiston	
Charlevoix	Gaylord	Mancelona	

Ministers.

William Childs	John L. Donovan	Clement Upham
Franklin M. Chapin	F. W. Ollis	Abraham VanAuken
G. Henry Cole	Holden A. Putnam	Ulysses G. Rich
Ephriam M. Corey	Thos. A. Stubbins	

Standing Committees.

ADVISORY COMMITTEE—Rev. Holden A. Putnam, Rev. Thos. A. Stubbins, Rev. C. Upham, Mr. Harold B. Whalley, Rev. Abram VanAuken.

FOREIGN MISSIONARY COMMITTEE—Mrs. A. E. Burnett.

SUNDAY SCHOOL COMMITTEE—Rev. F. W. Ollis, Rev. P. A. Arnold, Mr. J. E. Wiggins.

CHURCH BUILDING SOCIETY CORRESPONDENT—Rev. Holden A. Putnam.

Detroit.

ORGANIZED, May 4, 1887.

REGISTRAR, Rev. Mac H. Wallace, Detroit

MEETINGS—Fourth Monday of April and October.

Churches.

Detroit, First	Flat Rock	Pontiac
Detroit, North Woodward Aye.	Maybee	Rochester
Detroit, Fort Street	Metamora	Rockwood
Detroit, Mt. Hope	Newport	Royal Oak
Detroit, Brewster	Oakwood	Utica
Detroit, Boulevard	Orion	Wayne
Detroit, Highland Park	Oxford	Wyandotte
Dundee		

Ministers.

Wm. B. Forbush	Wm. Roscoe Kedzie	Wm. I. St. John
Lewis C. Frost	Paul Kozielek	John W. Sutherland
James C. Hageman	David C. McNair	Albert T. Swing
J. Percival Huget	Wm. Mitchell	James M. Turner
J. F. Hutchinson	F. C. Pillsbury	Mac H. Wallace
Wm. J. Jacobs	James C. Robinson	Wm. H. Warren
Charles W. Jones		

Licentiates.

Archie McCallum

Wilfred Harvey Ringer
Charles C. Lowther

Roy K. Nevins

Standing Committees.**ADVISORY COMMITTEE**—Harry H. Burr, Wm. H. Warren, J. Percival Huget, Wm. Roscoe Kedzie, Mac H. Wallace.**LICENSURE AND COURSE OF STUDY**—Wm. J. Jacobs, James C. Hageman, Chas. W. Jones.**FOREIGN MISSIONARY**—H. A. Bacon, Frank D. Taylor, John F. Hutchinson.**SUNDAY SCHOOL**—Frank Peters, Fred W. Schmidt, Edwin S. Stringer.**Eastern.****ORGANIZED**, March 12, 1840.**MODERATOR**, Rev. James F. Fryer.**REGISTRAR**, Theodore C. Williams, Imlay City.**MEETINGS**—First Tuesday of May and Third Tuesday of October.**Churches.**

Almont

Helena

Port Huron, First

Richmond

Armada

Imlay City

Port Huron, Twenty-fourth St.

Romeo

Carsonville

Memphis

Port Huron, Ross Memorial

St. Clair

Chesterfield

New Baltimore

Port Huron, Sturgis Memorial

White Rock

Columbus

New Haven

Port Sanilac

Ministers.

Wm. J. Campbell

Wm. R. Gillett

Edward P. Stone

J. G. Clutterbuck

Henry Wm Hunt

Theodore C. Williams

Rolph J. Duff

John Lambrecht

James F. Fryer

Edward H. Eppens

Wm. H. Sargent

Licentiates.**J. M. MacLeod****Thomas Cooke****Standing Committees.****ADVISORY COMMITTEE**—Mr. Thomas Cooke, Rev. Henry W. Hunt, Rev. Edward H. Eppens, Rev. James F. Fryer, Rev. Theodore C. Williams.**FOREIGN MISSIONARY**—Rev. E. H. Eppens.**“THE AMERICAN MISSIONARY”**—Rev. Theodore C. Williams.**ON LICENSURE AND COURSE OF STUDY**—Rev. William J. Campbell.**SUNDAY SCHOOL**—Mrs. C. M. Partch, Armada, Rev. Henry W. Hunt, Rev. John Lambrecht.**Genesee.****ORGANIZED**, October 14, 1845.**REGISTRAR**, Rev. G. W. Mylne, Laingsburg.**MEETINGS**—Fourth Tuesday of September.**Churches.**

Bancroft

Grand Blanc

Ovid

Shaftsbury

Belford

Hartland

Owosso

Tyrone

Deerfield

Highland

Perry

Vernon

Durand

Laingsburg

St. Johns

Victor

Flint

Linden

Jackson.

ORGANIZED, May 1, 1866.

REGISTRAR, Rev. W. C. Allen, Leslie.

MEETINGS—Third Tuesday in April and October.

Churches.

Ann Arbor	Hamburg	Michigan Center	Sandstone
Chelsea	Jackson, First	Pinckney	Union City
Dexter	" Plymouth	Salem, First	Webster
Grass Lake	Leslie	Salem, Second	Ypsilanti

Ministers.

Wm. C. Allen	Arthur Fairbanks	Matthew Knowles
Arthur G. Beach	A. G. Gates	Carl S. Patton
Allen J. Blair	M. Lee Grant	Bastian Smits
Frederick H. Bodman	David L. Holbrook	Arthur A. Wall
Charles S. Calhoun	Thomas Holmes	Samuel D. Wellwood
Martin L. D'Ooge		

Standing Committees.

ADVISORY COMMITTEE—Rev. Bastian Smits, Prof. E. C. Goddard, Rev. A. G. Beach, Rev. A. J. Blair, Rev. W. C. Allen.

LICENSURE AND COURSE OF STUDY—Rev. C. S. Patton, Rev. D. L. Holbrook, Rev. A. J. Blair.

Kalamazoo.

ORGANIZED, June 1, 1849.

REGISTRAR, W. B. Denny, Three Oaks.

MEETINGS—Second Tuesday of April and third Tuesday of October.

Churches.

Alamo	Bridgman	Hartford	Mattawan
Allegan	Coloma	Hilliards	Otsego
Athens	Constantine	Hopkins, First	Sawyer
Augusta	Cooper	Hopkins, Second	St. Joseph
Bangor	Covert	Kalamazoo	South Haven
Bangor, West	Dowagiac	Kendall	Texas
Baroda	Fredonia	Lawrence	Three Oaks
Bedford	Galesburg	Leonidas	Vicksburg
Benton Harbor	Grand Junction	Leroy	Watervliet

Ministers.

F. W. Bush	C. W. Long	Wilmot E. Stevens
Walter B. Denny	Wm. Millar	Wm. D. J. Stevenson
W. B. Dickinson	Ezra Morehouse	Albert H. Stoneman
A. C. Diefenbach	James A. Otis	Isaac Terborgh
Parvin M. France	Galien W. Seiler	Wm. H. Walker
R. Eugene Griggs	Wm. H. Skentelbury	Wm. A. Wilkinson
Edward H. Harvey	Levi P. Spelman	Henry Wilson

Licentiates.

Alfred G. Walton	Henry Johnson	Edward Humphrey
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Standing Committees.

ADVISORY COMMITTEE—Revs. A. C. Diefenbach, W. H. Walker, Mr. F. G. Dewey.

LICENSURE AND COURSE OF STUDY—Revs. W. H. Walker, W. B. Dickinson.
 FOREIGN MISSIONS—Rev. Wm. A. Wilkinson.
 CHURCH BUILDING SOCIETY—Rev. W. E. Stevens.
 SUNDAY SCHOOL—A. R. Arford, D. B. Allen, Rev. W. D. J. Stevenson.

Lake Superior.

ORGANIZED, August 12, 1879. REGISTRAR, Prof. James Fisher, Jr., Houghton.
 MEETINGS—April and October.

Churches.

Beacon Hill	Hancock	Kenton	Redridge
Calumet	Hubbell	Lake Linden	Trout Creek
Chassell	Ironwood	Red Jacket	

Ministers.

Mandus Barrett	Luther K. Long	R. W. Farquhar
Fred Deighton	Jesse Povey	

Standing Committees.

ADVISORY COMMITTEE—Rev. L. K. Long, Rev. R. W. Farquhar, Prof. James Fisher, Jr., Rev. Jesse Povey, Rev. Mandus Barrett.

Lansing.

ORGANIZED, March 30, 1880. REGISTRAR, Rev. Wm. Wiedenhoeft, Stanton.
 MEETINGS—Third Monday of March and fourth Monday of September.

Churches.

Belding	East Lansing	Milletts	Sheridan
Butternut	Eaton Rapids	Mulliken	Shiloh
Carmel	Fenwick	Nevin's Lake	Sidney
Carson City	Grand Ledge	Olivet	Six Lakes
Chippewa Lake	Hubbardston	Onondaga	Stanton
Charlotte	Lake Odessa	Portland	Vermontville
Chester Station	Lakeview	Potterville	Wacousta
Coral	Lansing, Plymouth	Rodney	Westville
Crystal	" Pilgrim	Saranac	Williamston
Edmore	" Mayflower		

Ministers.

John Bliss	Eugene I. Grinnell	John P. Sanderson
George E. Brown	George B. Hatfield	Albert Secord
Arie Binkhorst	Ellsworth G. Lancaster	A. F. Soule
Fred R. Bunker	Nathaniel D. Lamphear	Peter Schermerhorn
Joseph L. Daniels	J. F. Lansbrough	A. F. Skeele
George W. Dell	Wm. J. Massey	Andrew H. Snelgrove
Wellington DePuy	Wm. A. Minty	C. I. Taylor
J. E. Foote	Thos. R. McRoberts	Wayne L. Waters
Frank H. Foster	Norman L. Otis	Wm. Wiedenhoeft
Darius N. Goodrich	St. Clare Parsons	James S. Williamson
Robert Goldsmith	Clarence E. Robinson	Wolcott B. Williams

Licentiates.

W. E. Lyon	E. F. Gray	R. W. Paul
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Standing Committees.

ADVISORY COMMITTEE—Rev. Wm. Wiedenhoeft, Rev. C. I. Taylor, Mr. John W. S. Pierson, Rev. A. F. Skeele.

FOREIGN MISSIONARY—Rev. F. H. Foster.

SUNDAY SCHOOL—Lorenzo Webber, Portland, Rev. R. W. Paul.

LICENSURE AND COURSE OF STUDY—Rev. Wm. Wiedenhoeft, Rev. Robert Goldsmith.

CHURCH BUILDING SOCIETY CORRESPONDENT—

AMERICAN MISSIONARY ASSOCIATION—Rev. Edrie Collins.

Muskegon.

ORGANIZED, January 30, 1884.

REGISTRAR, Rev. F. W. Sass, Muskegon.

MEETINGS—Last Monday of March and third Monday of September.

Churches.

Big Prairie	Muskegon, First	Nunica
Fremont	" Highland Park	Shelby
Fruitport	" Jackson Street	White Cloud
Grand Haven	Newaygo	Whitehall
Hart		

Ministers.

Frederick Bagnall	A. B. Imrie	M. F. Scouten
Archibald Hadden	F. W. Sass	F. Fulkerson
C. O. Omans	Wm. Steensma	Daniel Truman
David Richie		

Standing Committees.

ADVISORY COMMITTEE—Revs. Archibald Hadden, Frederick W. Sass, Frederick Bagnall, Chester C. Omans, Daniel Truman.

SUNDAY SCHOOL—Rev. F. W. Sass.

FOREIGN MISSIONS—Rev. Archibald Hadden.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S SOCIETY—Rev. A. B. Imrie.

North Central.

ORGANIZED, March 11, 1873.

REGISTRAR, Rev. B. H. Burtt, Ludington

MEETINGS—Tuesday after the third Monday in September.

Churches.

Baldwin	Chase	Farwell	Hersey
Big Rapids	Clare	Fern	Ludington
Big Rapids Twp.	Custer	Harrison	Reed City
Cadillac	Dover		

Ministers.

David G. Blair	George W. Heater	E. J. Millington
Benjamin H. Burtt	Samuel E. Kelly	Noah J. Myers
Otis D. Crawford	George W. Kinney	F. M. Woodmansee
William A. Colledge	Henry C. McComas	

Licentiate.

W. A. A. Shipway

Standing Committee.

ADVISORY COMMITTEE—Rev. B. H. Burtt, Rev. E. J. Millington, V. H. Hatchett.

Saginaw.

ORGANIZED, May 12, 1886.

REGISTRAR, Rev. Robert Stapleton, Saginaw

MEETINGS—The Wednesday next after the second Monday of October.

Churches.

Alpena	Essexville	Merrill	Saginaw Genesee St.
Bay City	Freeland	Rosecommon	Standish
Breckenridge	Long Rapids	Saginaw, First	Tawas City
Bridgeport			

Ministers.

Charles D. Banister	John W. Erskine	F. A. Smith
N. S. Bradley	Jacob H. Lewis	Irving W. Stuart
Victor F. Brown	Charles T. Patchell	Robert Stapleton
George H. Coman	Albert E. Pomeroy	

Licentiates.

Fred C. Smith	Fred Errington	Burton D. Snook
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Standing Committees.

ADVISORY COMMITTEE—Rev. Irving W. Stuart, Mrs. A. Brown, of Saginaw, Rev. N. S. Bradley, Saginaw, Rev. R. Stapleton, Frank Klienfeld, Saginaw.

FOREIGN MISSIONARY—Rev. N. S. Bradley, I. F. Wyman, Mrs. Gertrude Ellis, Bridgeport.

SUNDAY SCHOOL—Rev. C. D. Banister, Rev. I. W. Stuart, Mr. E. B. Perry, Miss Florence Cooper, Bay City.

LICENSURE AND COURSE OF STUDY—Rev. Victor F. Brown, Rev. N. S. Bradley, M. M. Andrews.

CHURCH BUILDING SOCIETY—Rev. R. Stapleton.

Sault Ste. Marie.

ORGANIZED, March 17, 1880.

REGISTRAR, Mrs. Ella Soden, S. S. Marie.

MEETINGS—Second Tuesday and Wednesday of June.

Churches.

Allenville	Drummond	Mackinac Island	Rosedale
Brimley	Iroquois	Pine Grove	

Ministers.

G. D. Strickland	Wm. Etheridge	Harry Appleton
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Licentiate.

Frank McCorkle.

Standing Committee.

ADVISORY COMMITTEE—Mr. W. R. Gilbert, Mrs. E. Langdon, S. B. Poole, Mrs. E. Soden, Rev. Harry Appleton.

Southern.

ORGANIZED, June 27, 1848.

REGISTRAR, Rev. Milo J. Sweet, Hudson.

MEETINGS—Third Monday in April and October.

Churches.

Addison	Clinton	Mattison	Ransom
Algansee	East Gilead	Morenci	Somerset
Batavia	Hudson	North Adams	Tipton
Bethel	Jefferson	Pittsford	West Adrian
Bronson	Litchfield	Prattville	Wheatland
Canandaigua			

Ministers.

Thos. G. Baxter	John S. Gillespie	Jared R. Preston
Ira W. Bell	Robert Gordon	Wm. H. Shannon
Henry Choate	A. Joseph Kempton	Milo J. Sweet
Henry P. Collin	A. H. Lash	Charles E. Taggart
John E. Courter	E. R. Latham	Ira J. Tripp
George P. Endy	Fred Pinch	George O. Whitecomb

Licentiate.

A. B. Lucas

Standing Committees.

ADVISORY COMMITTEE—Rev. John E. Courter, Rev. M. J. Sweet, H. N. Turrel, of Litchfield, Rev. H. P. Collin.

FOREIGN MISSIONARY—Rev. J. E. Courter.

SUNDAY SCHOOL—Rev. H. P. Collin.

CHURCH BUILDING SOCIETY CORRESPONDENT—E. R. Latham.

AMERICAN MISSIONARY ASSOCIATION—Rev. Robert Gordon.

Branch, Mission and Out-Station Sunday Schools.

NAME OF SCHOOL.	SUPERINTENDENT.	SUPERINTENDENT'S ADDRESS.	MEMBERS.
Alpena, North Side	I. W. Stuart	Alpena	123
Beulah	C. J. Smith	Beulah	40
Brampton	Rev. Mr. Sibole	Brampton	24
Breckenridge, Union Bible School	E. E. Stone	Breckenridge, R. D.	60
Bush	Miss Pearl Hill	Bellaire, R. D. 3	40
Camp 10	Mr. Snyder	Bellaire, R. D. 3	50
Churchills	Mrs. Edmund Wilson	East Jordan, R. D. 3	40
Clam Lake	Mrs. Mary Utter	Bellaire, R. D. 2	20
Comstock Park	Charles E. Marshall	Grand Rapids, R. D. 6	110
Delhi Mills	Mrs. N. F. Estabrook	Ann Arbor, R. D. 7	44
Detroit, Englewood Ave.	P. O. Pennington	66 Tuxedo Ave.	40
Detroit, Pilgrim Bible School	Thornton A. Lewis	144 Horton Ave.	82
Eden	Fred Root	Beulah	60
Edwards	George Kingsland	Atlanta	26
Finkton	Ernest Button	East Jordan, R. D. 3	45
Gibbs	Mrs. C. F. Gibbs	Hetherton	15
Gladys	Mrs. James Byers	Sault Ste. Marie	26
Gordon	Miss Linda Gordon	Muskegon, R. D. 6	40
Greenwoods	Mrs. John Griffiths	Leer, R. D. 1	25
Hatfield	Mrs. Lovica Barton	Woodville	40
Henry	Wm. Swainston	Woodlawn	14
Hetherton	Milo Wilson	Hetherton	20
Hitchcock	Wallace Freeman	Hitchcock	20
Inwood Mission	Mrs. Ida Phillips	Vanderbilt	21
Iroquois			26
Jacobs	Mrs. Wm. Taylor	Bellaire, R. D. 3	25
Jacobsville		Jacobsville	24
Kellyville	E. O. Ewing	Atlanta	32
Kenney	Frank E. Smith	Covert	16
Kuhn	Mrs. Lillian Coughey	Sheridan, R. F. D.	30
Langport Union	N. G. Clark	Merrill, R. D. 1	50
Lockwood Lake			24
Maxton	George A. Strickland	Drummond	27
McCormack	Mrs. E. McCormack	Lewiston	30
McKenzie	George Downing	Atlanta	36
Mount Vernon	Mrs. Walter White	Olare, R. D.	25
Murner	Lester Ballow	Gaylord, R. D. 1	45
Neebish	Mrs. Cahow	Thorice	25
Oakwood	Charles Bateham	Navarre	80
Ogontz	Miss Helen Filkins	Ogontz	24
Packard	Mrs. Anna Freeman	South Haven, R. D. 3	40
Parsons	Mrs. George Strachan	Lewiston	20
Peoples	Frank Akin	Bellaire, R. D. 3	30
Pleasant Valley	Miss Maud Petit	Central Lake, R. D. 8	40
Rockery	Miss Ruby Calkins	Chestonia	25
Sawyer	E. H. Bauer	Sawyer	85
Schenck	Mrs. J. L. Evelhoch	Fremont, R. D. 5	45
Springdale	Oliver Wilson	Thompsonville, R. D. 2	30
Town Line	Henry Howard	Benzonia	35
Vance	George Vance	East Jordan, R. D. 5	50
Vienna	Birney Dutton	Vienna	12
Westwood	Mrs. Etta Woodham	Mancelona, R. D. 8	55
Woodlawn	Wm. Swainston	Woodlawn	14
Total			2,025

THE CONGREGATIONAL BROTHERHOOD OF AMERICA.

President — JUDGE ALBERT COYT, New London, Conn.

General Secretary — FRANK DYER, Chicago, Ill.

Secretary Labor and Social Service — HENRY A. ATKINSON, Chicago, Ill.

MICHIGAN CONGREGATIONAL BROTHERHOOD.

President — LOUIS P. HAIGHT, Muskegon.

(The annual meeting of the Michigan Congregational Brotherhood was held May 18, 1911, at Port Huron, in connection with the meeting of the Michigan Congregational Conference. The reports of officers indicated deep interest in the work, but not as much growth during the past year as had been hoped. In the evening of the same day there was a Brotherhood banquet, largely attended, at which reports were made from the different local Brotherhoods, and an inspiring address by Rev. J. Percival Huget, of Detroit. Up to the time when it is necessary for these Minutes to go to press we have not been able to obtain the Minutes of the Brotherhood meeting.—Editor.)

MICHIGAN CONGREGATIONAL CONFERENCE.

Officers: Rev. Benjamin H. Burtt, Livingston Moderator; C. A. Gower, Lansing Registrar and Treasurer; Question of [redacted] Post Huron May 16-18

members not connected with any conventional Association in Michigan are allowed in brackets

Names of ministers not connected with any Congregational Association in Michigan are enclosed in brackets.

Sunday Schools reporting a Home Department are indicated with an "x" installed masters by "x" and masters recognized by Council by "x".

CHURCHES	SUNDAY SCHOOLS	Places	Superintendents	OFFERINGS FOR THE BENEVOLENT SOCIETIES																	
				Members	Men's Organizations	Young People's Societies	Women's Boards	Ed. Soc.	Conf. Soc.	Conf. Ch. Bldg.	Conf. Miss. Soc.	Assoc. Miss.	Conf. and Natl. Soc.	Conf. S. S. and Pub. Soc.	Other Congregational	Ch. Ed. and Natl. Soc.	Home Expenses	Value of Church Property	Units of Investment	Amount of Debt, etc.	
			Irvin Wride,	100	75	0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$27	\$0	\$7	\$0	\$34	\$400	\$31,200	\$0	\$0	\$0		
			A. E. Widdifield,	h	122	30	0	5	0	5	22	3	11	2	48	6	3,600	800	3,500	0	
			Addison.															4,500	0	0	
			Alamo,		35	0	0	0	13	0	10	39	0	5	0	67	3	680	400	*1,200	0
			Alba.		50	15	0	0	0	0	0	9	0	5	0	14	0	200	0	0	0
			Algansee,		30	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	15	0	4	0	19	0	60	2,500	0
			Allegan,		36	0	0	0	22	0	0	0	91	0	0	0	113	32	15	1,507	8,000
			Allendale,		75	49	0	0	5	0	0	0	11	5	0	0	21	29	0	728	*3,000
			Alenville,		50	19	15	0	0	0	0	0	15	0	2	0	32	0	0	0	0
			Almont,		122	15	0	0	0	0	0	0	104	0	12	0	116	28	0	800	20,000
			Alpena,		471	171	265	49	0	0	0	0	105	0	20	15	214	508	0	8,702	1,603
			Alpine,		99	62	28	0	25	0	0	0	10	0	0	0	50	9	12	1,444	800
			Ann Arbor,		365	0	0	189	523	29	33	230	180	36	23	1,243	286	0	5,934	*60,000	
			Armadas,		185	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	90	0	940	800	
			Athens,		h	100	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	40	0	7	0	52	3	700
			Atlanta,										0	0	0	1	0	1	0	375	450
			Augusta,										18	0	0	0	18	0	380	2,000	
			Baldwin,										0	0	0	0	25	0	540	1,500	
			Bangor, 1st,										17	0	8	0	8	0	2,700	500	
			" West,										0	5	0	0	5	0	5,500	500	
			Baroda,										0	0	0	0	0	0	3,000	70	
			Bass River,										1	0	0	0	1	78	*800	300	
			Batavia,										0	0	0	0	0	75	100	*1,200	
			Bay City,										0	0	0	0	0	63	0	400	
			Beacon Hill,										0	0	0	0	3	0	226	226	
			Bedford,										11	0	6	0	17	0	0	0	
			Bedford,										0	0	0	0	4	12	385	550	
			Belding,										1	0	0	0	4	0	1,553	3,000	
			Belford,										0	0	0	0	0	64	0	12,000	
			Belaire,										0	0	0	0	6	0	36	1,093	
			Benton Harbor,										10	75	0	6	0	0	0	1,200	
			Bensonia,										41	38	240	70	52	27	594	22	
			Bethel,										91	129	0	0	0	0	422	200	
			Big Prairie,										32	0	4	0	0	1	0	175	
			Big Rapids, 1st,										0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,500	
			Big Rapids, 1st,										40	25	0	0	0	0	0	*25,000	
			Big Rapids, 1st,										196	73	5	0	0	0	0	0	
			Township, George Harter,										3	0	0	0	0	0	0	4,500	

MISSIONARY AND TRADITION. - NO PARISHIONER.

Jenison, R.D. I.

† Missionary aid to salary. * No personage.

CHURCHES	SUNDAY SCHOOLS		Y. P. Mem. S. Mem.	Y. P. Mem. S. Mem.	OFFERINGS FOR THE BENEVOLENT SOCIETIES										SALARIES, VALUES, ETC.				
	Places	Superintendent			A. B. C. F. M.	C. C. B. F. M.	W. M.'s Bds.	C. E. Soc.	C. C. B. Soc.	C. H. M. Soc.	A. M. A.	C. S. S. & P. S.	Min. Relief	Totals	Salaries	Value Ch. Property	Invest. Funds	Amt. of Debt	
Coperniak, -	Mrs. Lizzie Hill.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$135	\$135	\$135	\$135	
Coral.	Mrs. F. M. King.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	306	1325	3,300	
Corinth.	G. Carroll Ross.	40	10	30	2	4	18	5	10	2	81	0	0	0	0	250	150	2,500	
Covert.	Mrs. Clyde Lascelle.	180	0	0	0	0	0	0	20	0	4	0	0	0	0	911	700	6,000	600
Crystal.	Russell B. Gregg.	70	0	0	0	0	0	0	44	2	4	0	0	0	0	487	1200	2,500	
Custer.	Albert Cameron.	60	0	0	0	0	0	0	44	2	4	0	0	0	0	442	550	2,400	
Deerfield.	James Schermerhorn.	50	120	90	1,569	558	146	977	370	91	108	3,974	3,153	1,354	13076	5,000	180,000	2,000	
Detroit, 1st,	" N. Woodw'day.	560	40	128	19	277	0	0	391	11	0	698	833	97	13000	3,600	150,000	150,000	6,600
" Fort st.,	F. W. Schmidt,	350	30	160	57	18	28	88	46	35	15	447	92	27	3,000	1,500	33,333		
" Mount Hope,	Henry J. Steeker.	136	30	4	0	0	0	14	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,075	1800	*10,000	
" Brewster,	Edward Stringer.	425	90	180	18	125	0	0	222	0	36	0	401	126	100	6,126	2,100	*50,000	8,000
" Boulevard,	Wm. Barrows,	529	110	29	54	0	0	29	0	0	6	118	87	43	2,800	1,100	8,500		
" Highland Pk.	S. E. Clark.	119	23	0	0	0	0	0	10	0	8	0	18	10	0	962	1,200	*8,090	3,496
Dexter.	Mrs. A. L. Woodlock,	36	0	0	0	0	0	0	13	0	6	0	19	0	0	50	601	520	3,000
Douglas,	C. B. Welch, ^a	66	10	0	0	0	2	0	47	0	5	39	0	0	0	0	0	2,800	
Dover,	W. E. Murphy.	175	35	19	1	0	5	7	6	15	0	118	6	5	1,225	800	10,000	500	
Dowagiac,	Joseph N. McAdam.	35	3	0	0	0	0	5	0	3	0	11	1	1	10	10	1,000		300
Drummond.	L. J. Ostrander,	70	5	0	0	0	5	16	0	0	0	26	0	1	634	1500	8,300	260	
Dundee,	E. S. Atherton,	98	0	0	0	0	0	5	38	0	3	0	46	0	0	1,122	1800	*6,500	
East Gilead,	Emory W. Hilton, ^b	46	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	5	0	9	0	0	0	60	1,600		
East Lake,	Charles R. Ricker,	107	0	0	0	0	0	11	0	0	0	11	0	0	0	450	350	700	300
East Lansing,	Thos. C. Blaisdell,	162	0	0	0	0	0	50	0	8	0	58	0	0	0	5,960	11,500	*7,000	
Eastmanville,	Henry B. Garrison,	50	0	0	0	0	0	2	10	0	0	12	0	0	0	100	100	2,000	
East Nelson,	Anna Newman, ^c	15	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	3	0	8	209	150	900	
East Paris,	Mrs. Elizabeth Lawyer,	75	0	0	0	0	0	0	17	0	3	0	20	0	0	382	280	1,800	
Eastport.	W. D. Wagner,	37	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	4	0	4	0	0	100	800		
Eaton Rapids,	Echo,	0	0	0	0	0	0	10	0	0	0	77	0	2	1,350	850	8,000	2,900	
Edmore,	E. F. Bray,	48	0	0	0	0	0	5	0	0	0	10	4	0	0	130	1300		
Ellsworth,	W. A. Boss,	24	3	0	0	0	2	30	0	2	2	39	0	0	0	56	1600	2,500	
Elmdale,	Guy C. Longcor,	42	20	3	0	0	0	16	0	2	0	21	0	0	0	511	200	500	
Essexville,	Mrs. Estella G. Linssea,	67	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	0	0	0	0	314	1600	1,600	
Farwell.	Watson Honeywell,	50	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	328	200	2,200	
Fayette,	John Foll,	20	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	225	1600	*1,000	
Fenwick,	Albert Dailey,	30	27	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	250	250	2,503	
Fern,	Byron Bean,	27	27	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Filer City,	*Fennville, R.D. 2.																		

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CHURCHES	SUNDAY SCHOOLS			OFFERINGS FOR THE BENEVOLENT SOCIETIES												SALARIES, VALUES, ETC.		
	Places	Superintendents	Mem.	Y. P. S. Mem.	Mens Org.	A. B. C. F. M.	Wom's Bds.	C. E. Soc.	C. C. B. Soc.	C. H. M. A. M.	A. - A. Soc.	C. S. S. & P. S.	Min. Relief	Totals	Salaries	Value Ch. Property	Invest. Funds	Amt. of Debt
Flat Rock,	Frank F. Peters,	50	98	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$41	\$0	\$500	\$7,000	\$
Flint.	Dr. C. E. Williams,	125	38	12	30	27	5	7	64	18	17	5	173	3	1,500	2,200	1,000	25,000
Frankfort,	Geo. Lewis Wood,	153	38	0	0	10	0	5	10	5	5	0	35	0	2	649	800	6,000
Frederia,	Earl Vanmarman,	27			13	0	0	0	5	10	1	3	1	33	0	150	150	100
Freeland,	Mrs. Ruth Law,	44			0	0	0	0	9	7	0	0	0	7	8	0	0	400
Freeport,	Mrs. N. Bouma,	47			0	0	0	0	3	7	54	0	15	6	85	30	0	3,000
Fremont,	A. R. Shigley,	150	25	0	0	0	0	3	7	54	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	4,000
Fruitport,	W. T. Lockwood,	50			0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Galesburg,	R. J. Boynton,	145			1	25	0	0	0	7	0	2	0	35	38	0	1,219	600
Garden,	Miss Helen Cooper,	45			0	0	0	0	0	14	0	6	4	24	0	0	275	7,000
Gaylord,	S. W. Buck,	214	31	0	0	0	0	7	97	0	10	0	114	0	0	1,428	1,200	2,200
Gilmore,	Anna Dragor,	50			0	0	0	0	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	105	850	6,000
Gladstone,	Dr. James W. Parker,	86	10	25	21	0	0	0	38	13	13	7	117	0	0	32	892	800
Grand Blanc,	Charles N. Dickenson,	100	15	0	14	0	0	0	25	0	10	5	54	0	0	1,777	600	7,000
Grand Haven,	Mrs. W. R. Siggins,	50	20	10	0	0	0	0	12	0	5	3	30	16	0	458	700	5,000
Grand Junction,	W. T. Vanderbilt	150		9	1	3	0	0	22	2	8	3	48	0	0	983	800	1,500
Grand Ledge,	Thos. D. Perry,	458	212	275	522	7	9	438	158	45	50	1,504	1,732	0	12429	4,800	1,200	
Grand Rapids, 1st,	B. J. Buchanan,	370	90	120	20	38	42	58	58	45	17	353	37	85	2,595	1,600	5,100	
" 2d,	Fred M. Luther,	377	65	35	30	0	20	145	25	21	5	281	54	90	3,197	1,400	13,000	
" South,	James Irwin,	225	39	25	7	0	10	44	20	10	5	121	0	0	1,238	1,050	12,000	
" Smith Mem'l,	A. J. Allen,	300	40	25	22	41	5	0	83	9	11	0	171	7	42	2,414	1,000	10,375
" Plymouth,	F. D. Osgood,	240	50	8	10	0	6	5	0	12	0	41	50	50	9,744	1,335	900	
" East,	W. Wallin Moul,	205	50	0	4	0	0	35	5	79	0	53	76	32	1,605	1,200	7,000	
" Grandville,	Mrs. Fred Waterman,	136	48	9	15	1	2	23	7	9	2	68	10	0	712	7800	2,000	
Grass Lake,	John De Graff,	73	6	23	0	0	0	42	4	12	0	87	26	C	1,106	800	16,000	
Greenville,	Rev. Samuel D. Wellwood,	278	60	0	36	0	22	41	0	35	6	140	422	0	3,626	1,500	35,000	
Hamburg,	Charles M. Miller,	35	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	4	4	0	0	350	200	2,000	
Hancock,	Willard Hendrick,	211	37	115	165	24	0	202	81	64	19	670	219	53	4,060	1,600	20,000	
Harrison.	Angus F. MacDonald,	58	0	0	0	0	0	25	0	5	0	30	0	0	158	4,500	50	
Hartford,	Alice Artribees,	230	30	0	25	0	17	50	10	19	5	126	0	0	1,672	1,000	9,000	
Hartland,	Garrett Van Allsburg,	35	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	0	0	8	0	0	0	0	0	
Helena,	Rev. E. Woolley,	30			0	0	0	0	20	0	0	0	20	0	0	256	2,700	0
Hersey,	W. H. Roberts,	46			0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	50	3,000	300
Hebereton,	John R. Ladd,	81		3	0	2	0	44	2	6	0	57	0	0	597	550	500	
Highland,	Milo Wilson,	24			12	0	17	0	10	24	0	3	8	62	0	0	260	2,600
Hilliards,	C. H. Adams,	60		35	0	0	0	13	55	15	4	20	142	1	0	208	1,200	500
Homestead,	Howard F. Parmelee,	50		0	0	0	0	17	0	0	0	17	23	0	0	215	250	1,300
Honor,	Mrs. May Mertz,	60		30	0	0	0	13	0	0	0	0	13	0	0	1,800	4,000	398

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CITIES OR TOWNS	ORG.	CHURCHES	SEPARATE	CLERKS	MINISTERS		MEMBERS			ADMITTED			REMOVED			BAPT.			FAM.
					Names	Names	Ord.	Cd.	Ma.	Fr.	To.	Ab.	C.	L.	To.	Di.	L.	R.	
Hopkins, 1st,		1857 1860	Mrs. Lucy Parmelee,	D. Alex. Holman, ^a	'91 '10	13 25	38 4	0 0	2 2	1 0	0 0	1 0	0 0	0 0	0 0	0 0	0 0	0 0	50
" 2d,		1878 1886	David B. Kidder,	[Edward Humphrey, Lic.]	'11 '11	31 69	100 19	0 0	2 2	0 0	0 0	3 0	0 0	3 0	0 0	3 0	0 0	0 0	50
Howard City,		1890 1893	Mrs. Helen Vandenberg,			20 43	63 16	0 0	0 0	2 5	0 0	7 0	0 0	7 0	0 0	7 0	0 0	0 0	50
Hubbardston,		1865																	
Hubbell,		1893 1894	G. E. Johnston,	Joseph Toms, Milo J. Sweet,	'07 '11	14 36	50 2	0 2	2 2	1 33	36 4	6 6	6 6	6 6	6 6	6 6	6 6	6 6	65
Hudson,		1836 1871	C. B. Stowell,	Iman Wisse, Grand Rapids ,	'05 '10	26 47	73 9	6 10	16 1	2 7	10 13	4 4	4 4	4 4	4 4	4 4	4 4	4 4	200
Hudsonville,		1877 1878	Mrs. Kate Whipple,	Theodore C. Williams,	'01 '08	27 58	95 9	3 2	5 1	1 2	1 4	0 0	0 0	0 0	0 0	0 0	0 0	0 0	
Imlay City,		1872 1875	Robert A. McRoy,	Holden A. Putnam, ^b	'86 '06	8 31	39 6	5 0	5 0	4 0	4 0	3 0	3 0	3 0	3 0	3 0	3 0	3 0	
Ironton,		1886 1888	Mrs. George McMulkin,	[C. G. Thompson, Sup.]	'6 6	7 13	13 7	3 3	3 3	3 3	3 3	4 4	4 4	4 4	4 4	4 4	4 4	4 4	
Ironwood,		1908 1909	Wm. E. Klund,	[F. McCorkle, Lic.]	'2 2	2 4													
Iroquois,																			
Isabella,		1900 1909	Mrs. Nellie J. Tennis,	Bastian Smits,	'84 '01	91 240	331 78	2 1	3 1	5 10	0 15	0 15	0 15	0 15	0 15	0 15	0 15	10	
Jackson, 1st,		1841 1859	Harry Holton,	A. J. Blair, ^b	'99 '07	41 88	129 0	17 3	20 3	5 2	0 7	11 11	5 5	5 5	0 0	0 0	0 0	0 0	200
" Plymouth,		1892 1907	Miss Mery Longheed,	[A. B. Lucas, Lic.] Ransom ,	'11 '15	26 8	0 0	0 0	1 0	0 4	5 0	0 0	0 0	0 0	0 0	0 0	0 0	0 0	
Jefferson, Osseo, R.D. 27,		1894 1895	Mrs. Charles H. Tucker,	[L. E. Hague, Harold Heafield, Lic.]	'03 '11	10 21	31 5	5 5	1 1	6 1	3 0	4 4	4 4	4 4	4 4	4 4	4 4	4 4	35
Jenison,		1903 1904	Mrs. Alice D. Fisher, ^c	[Charles Palmarier, M. E.] ^c	'11 '14	19 33	1 1	0 0	0 0	0 0	0 0	12 0	0 0	12 0	0 0	12 0	0 0	12 0	
Johannesburg,		1902 1904	Mrs. Lucy Gingell,	Walter B. Dickinson, i.	'06 '09	10 8	23 31	10 0	0 0	0 0	0 0	1 4	0 0	5 0	0 0	5 0	0 0	5 0	
Johannstown and Barry,		1865 1893	John E. Malay, ^d	[P. Arthur Arnold, Lic.]	'10 15	48 63	8 8	0 0	0 0	0 0	0 0	16 16	3 3	30 30	10 10	7 7	496		
Kalamazoo,		1835 1889	Mrs. Lalia M. Clark,	[W. O. Deer, Bap.] Alamo	'10 26	36 26													
Kalkaska,		1875 1875	Mrs. Wm. Childs,																
Kendall,																		55	
Kenton,		1895 1895	Mrs. Wm. H. Shingler,	George W. Mylne, [W. C. Bowins, Lic.] Cedar ,	'02 '07	27 64	91 20	4 4	0 0	4 0	0 4	0 0	4 4	0 0	4 4	0 0	4 4	0 0	25
Laingsburg,		1864 1871	Raymond W. Bailey,	Joseph Toms, Wm. J. Prestige,	'11 '12	18 30	8 8	0 0	1 1	1 1	0 0	1 0	0 0	1 0	0 0	1 0	0 0	1 0	
Lake Ann,		1892 1892	Bion Maker,	John W. Sherwood, ^b	'02 '07	15 50	65 25	0 0	0 0	0 0	0 0	1 0	0 0	1 0	0 0	1 0	0 0	1 0	
Lake Linden,		1884 1887	John Deatborn, Jr., ^a	James S. Williamson, i.	'90 '10	154 349	503 105	1 2	3 2	4 2	4 1	7 1	0 0	1 0	0 0	1 0	0 0	1 0	
Lake Odessa,		1892 1892	Elton E. Lucas,	George B. Hatfield,	'03 '10	185 316	501 107	21 21	15 36	4 4	20 20	0 0	24 24	13 13	4 4	6 6	6 6		
Lakeview,		1892 1894	Mrs. Mary B. Forsyth,	[Henry W. Harvey, Pres.] ^c	'99 '11	15 55	70 13	0 2	2 2	2 2	17 24	0 0	2 2	0 0	2 2	0 0	2 2	0 0	
Lamont,		1842 1849	Mrs. Mary Phillips,	W. W. Gadd, Athens	'81 '10	20 28	0 0	0 0	0 0	0 0	0 0	0 0	0 0	0 0	0 0	0 0	0 0	0 0	
Lansing, Plymouth,		1864 1876	R. G. Cotton,	Wm. H. Shannon,	'73 '08	18 58	78 14	0 0	4 4	1 4	1 4	0 0	5 5	0 0	5 5	0 0	5 5	0 0	
" Pilgrim,		1803 1899	Miss Margaret Ester,	Wm. C. Allen,	'00 '11	11 30	41 12	6 12	17 24	0 0	2 2	0 0	2 2	0 0	2 2	0 0	2 2	0 0	
" Mayflower,		1903 1876	Frank W. Carpenter,	[J. F. Lansbrough,	'88 '11	11 57	113 170	13 29	13 16	5 6	0 0	1 0	0 0	1 0	0 0	1 0	0 0	1 0	
Lawrence,		1837 1858	J. A. Brokaw,	Edwin Ewell,	'99 '07	14 21	35 0	3 0	3 0	0 0	0 0	0 0	0 0	0 0	0 0	0 0	0 0	0 0	
Leonidas,		1885 1885	Mrs. Orcelia Addison,	[F. E. Errington, Lic.]	'99 '07	43 113	155 30	10 10	40 40	3 3	0 0	0 0	0 0	0 0	0 0	0 0	0 0	0 0	
Leroy, East Leroy, R.D. 1,		1837 1879	Earl R. Dr.	Wm. D. Ogg,															
Leslie,		1865 1884	J. Russell Baggerly,																
Lewiston,		1887 1887	Miss Golden Rice,																
Linden,		1839 1869	Miss Nettie R. Chapin,																
Litchfield,		1909 1910	Wm. A. Hall,																
Long Rapids,		1856 1860	Miss Mary F. Robinson,																
Lowell,																			
* Grand Rapids.																			
* Grandville.																			
* Howard City.																			
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				Names	Names	Ord. C'd	Names	Fe.	To.	Ma.	Fe.	To.	C.	L.	To.	Pl.	L.	R.	To.	Ad.	Inf.
Ludington.	1870 1882 Miss Anna B. Edwards,	Benj. H. Burtt.	'89 '98	77 209	286 44	3 5	8 0	0 5	13 18	0 12	222										
Mackinac Island.	1900 1905 S. B. Poole,	Fred W. Ollie.	'06 '10	3 10	13 3	0 0	0 0	0 0	1 1	0 0	17										
Mancelona.	1874 1881 Miss Amelia Lyon.	John J. Staley.	'94 '02	39 101	140 94	2 2	8 10	2 2	4 5	11 11	0 2	90									
Manatee.	1862 1892 Mrs. H. B. Pierson.	[W. C. Bowins, Lic.] Cedar.	'11 '11	66 158	224 9	2 9	11 2	8 1	1 1	3 3	2 2	150									
Maple City.	1887 1889 Mrs. Russel Fisher.	[J. John D. Perrin.]	'04 '09	6 11	17 17	0 0	0 0	1 1	1 1	0 2	0 0	50									
Mattawan	1867 1868 Mrs. Libbie Glidden.	[H. P. Collin, J. Coldwater	'11 '11	23 52	75 22	9 9	3 12	1 1	0 5	6 6	0 0	78									
Matteson.	1889 1889 Sylvester L. Carter.*	[Louis Foltz, M. P.] Adrian.	'11 '20	5 15	20 2	0 0	0 0	2 0	0 0	0 0	0 0	20									
Maybee.	1882 1882 Mrs. Eliza Collins.	Edward H. Eppens.	'98 '98	19 77	96 30	4 4	1 1	5 5	2 2	3 3	0 0	16	30								
Memphis.	1840 1894 Miss Edna Asquith.	Charles D. Banister.	'86 '08	5 20	25 5	0 0	0 0	0 0	0 0	0 0	0 0	80									
Merrill.	1886 1887 E. H. Massecar.	Lewis C. Frost.	'95 '10	7 29	36 6	4 4	0 0	4 4	2 2	0 0	4 0	40									
Metamora.	1878 1878 Mrs. Catherine J. Rhodes.	[John F. Orwick, M. E.]	'82 '04	8 19	27 0	5 5	10 10	0 0	0 0	0 0	5 5	30									
Michigan Center.*	1869 1873 Miss Effie M. Turner.	Fred Roy Bush.	'02 '08	26 80	106 35	1 1	2 2	3 3	1 1	0 0	2 0	4 90									
Middleville.	1846 1910 Mrs. Judson Stark.	C. C. Lowther, Lansing.	'08 '09	5 10	15 2	6 6	2 2	8 8	1 1	0 0	1 0	6									
Millett.	1887 1887 Mrs. James Graham.			3 9	12 12	6 6	18 18	3 3	0 0	6 6	9 9	50									
Mio.	1905																				
Moline.	1857 1876 A. C. Gilbert.	[F. C. Laslette, Lic.]	'07 '10	68 96	164 30	12 12	6 6	18 18	3 3	0 0	6 6	9 9	50								
Morenci.	1858 1873 James Haynes.	[Crawford L. Queen, M. P.]	'10 '10	20 87	107 1	1 0	1 0	2 2	8 8	0 0	10 0	100									
Mulliken.	1890 1888 Mrs. Ollie Merritt.	[F. R. Baylis, Sup.]	'13 '13	41 54	13 13	3 3	16 16	1 0	0 0	1 1	4 4	45									
Muskegon	1859 1884 Edward B. Dana.	Archibald Hadden.	'81 '93	150 369	519 105	18 18	1 1	29 29	4 4	24 0	28 0	300									
	Jackson st..	F. W. Sasse.	'09 '09	0 0	0 0	0 0	0 0	0 0	0 0	0 0	1 1	8 25									
	Highland Park.	Fred W. Sasse.	'09 '09	6 12	18 0	10 10	2 2	12 12	0 0	1 1	0 0	4 75									
Nevin's Lake.	1899 1899 Mrs. Arthur Messer.	Wm. Wiedenhoeft, Stanton.	'89 '08	6 11	17 3	0 0	0 0	1 1	0 0	1 1	0 0	14									
Newaygo.	1906 1906 Miss Edna Disbrow.*	Daniel Truman.	'88 '08	12 43	55 6	0 0	0 0	0 0	0 0	5 5	0 0	60									
New Baltimore.	1856 1888 Roswell M. Hall.	[John M. MacLeod, Lic.]	'08 '08	19 37	56 8	1 1	0 0	1 1	0 0	0 0	0 0	60									
New Haven.	1868 1874 Mrs. Benj. Van Horn.	John F. Hutchinson.*	'16 '34	50 14	8 0	0 0	8 8	1 1	0 0	0 0	1 1	2 48									
Newport.	1887 1887 Mrs. Ollie M. Matteson, d.	Jared R. Preston.	'93 '00	14 25	39 8	0 0	0 0	0 0	0 0	0 0	0 0	13									
North Adams.	1847 1853 Mrs. Lida Kempton.	A. Bentall.	'65 '03	29 53	82 6	7 3	10 10	1 1	0 0	3 3	0 0	105									
Northport.	1863 1870 Mrs. S. W. Porter.	Frank Fulkerison, ^{as}	'02 '07	56 80	136 5	0 1	1 1	0 0	5 5	0 0	5 5	6 125									
Nunica.	1874 1888 Mrs. Ette Greene.	'02 '11	4 6	10 3	0 0	2 2	0 0	2 2	0 0	2 2	0 0	16									
Oakwood.	1879 1891 Wm. D. Bagley.	Arthur F. Skeele.	'13 '35	48 5	8 0	0 0	0 0	0 0	0 0	0 0	0 0	42									
Old Mission.	1845 1894 Wm. J. Hoyt.	[James C. Matthews, Lic.] ^{bb}	'82 '08	124 247	371 17	20 20	37 37	9 9	18 0	0 27	11 1	200									
Olivet.	1886 1897 Mrs. L. H. Wheeler.	Peter Schermerhorn.	'10 '16	15 31	25 5	2 2	3 3	6 0	2 0	0 0	1 1	22									
Onawa.	1882 1886 Mrs. Franklin Lines.	Frank Davis.	'07 '11	16 57	73 0	3 3	3 3	16 10	2 2	1 1	0 0	100									
Onekema.	1884 1894 Mrs. Dora Eldridge.	John H. Ashby.	'78 '09	16 158	194 42	6 6	10 10	16 16	2 2	1 1	3 3	4 1	50								
Onondaga.	1837 1907 Mrs. Faith Nevis.	Carlos H. Hanks.	'88 '99	214 438	652 70	12 12	30 30	3 3	10 10	2 2	15 15	400									
Orion.	1872 1872 John Link.	[Roy K. Nevins, Lic.]	'73 '83	40 40	40 40	2 2	3 3	4 4	0 0	4 4	0 0	20									
Otsego.	1840 1892 Alonso Crane.																				
Ovid.	1877 1880 C. L. Randall.																				
Owosso.																					
Oxford.																					
	Jackson, R. F. D.	Stanton, R. D. 3.																			
	Coldwater.																				

^{aa} Grand Haven.

^{bb} Suttons Bay.

^{cc} Flat Rock.

^{dd} Monroe, R. D. 4.

CHURCHES	SUNDAY SCHOOLS		Y. P. Mens Org.	OFFERINGS FOR THE BENEVOLENT SOCIETIES						SALARIES, VALUES, ETC.			
	Places	Superintendents		A. B. C. W. Soc. Bds.	Wom's Soc.	C. E. C. H. M. Soc.	A. M. C. S. S. & P. S. Soc.	Min. Relier.	Total	Salaries	Value Ch. Property	Invest. Funds	Amt. of Debt
Ludington.	271	73	\$95	\$119	\$0	\$2	\$197	\$0	\$467	\$190	\$14,000	\$	\$500
Mackinac Island.	34	0	0	0	0	22	0	0	44	0	0	8,445	500
Mancelona.	80	0	0	0	0	35	0	5	40	0	873	10,000	870
Manistee.	306	33	0	354	0	0	286	0	29	708	35	5,3800	4,200
Maple City.	20	0	8	0	0	5	3	19	0	0	0	0	450
Mattawan.	88	34	0	2	0	0	16	0	10	0	28	0	950
Mattawan.	20	0	2	0	0	7	20	0	9	2	43	0	950
Maybee.	100	30	0	3	0	0	5	28	4	6	56	26	134
Memphis.	70	30	22	5	0	0	5	28	4	6	56	725	5,000
Merrill.	115	22	0	0	0	0	21	0	0	0	21	0	3,300
Metamora.	40	0	0	0	0	0	19	0	6	0	25	0	5,000
Michigan Center.	50	0	0	0	0	0	11	3	7	4	37	5	2,500
Middleville.	90	25	3	0	0	0	9	11	3	7	4	37	8,000
Millett.	30	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	2	1	1,000
Mio.	80	78	48	24	0	0	12	0	22	10	116	1	216
Moline.	230	23	0	8	0	3	47	0	7	0	65	0	625
Morenci.	52	11	0	0	0	0	31	0	3	0	34	1	4,000
Mulliken.	350	75	60	125	306	0	59	260	82	45	95	1,072	800
Muskegon, 1st.	80	0	0	0	0	0	8	0	0	0	8	0	2,300
" Jackson st..	26	2	0	0	0	0	8	0	2	0	12	3	3,500
" Highland Park.	95	0	0	0	0	0	6	0	0	0	6	0	1,370
Nevins Lake.	61	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,000
Newaygo.	60	3	0	0	0	0	26	0	0	0	29	0	5,500
New Baltimore.	55	0	0	0	0	0	9	0	0	0	9	61	800
New Haven.	81	35	3	7	2	5	7	5	19	2	50	4	5,000
Newport.	53	0	0	0	0	0	11	0	3	0	14	0	3,000
North Adams.	70	30	0	37	0	0	3	3	0	0	43	92	1,700
Northport.	226	56	25	12	0	0	6	68	2	10	10	108	1,100
Nunica.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	70	1,200
Oakwood.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Old Mission.	60	28	0	17	0	7	23	0	9	4	60	5	2,000
Olivet.	190	30	35	87	58	15	16	104	18	16	17	331	3,000
Omaha.	45	5	0	0	0	8	9	0	0	0	22	0	4,000
Onekema.	85	26	0	0	0	0	5	0	2	0	12	68	2,000
Onodaga.	48	0	0	0	0	0	40	0	3	0	43	0	2,000
Orion.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Osego.	160	26	5	2	16	45	10	10	4	118	0	1,435	10,000
Ovid.	106	0	12	0	9	42	0	14	0	77	36	0	7,000
Owosso.	460	60	0	72	0	0	97	0	17	0	186	250	46,000
Oxford.	116	0	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	31	0	4,000

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CITIES OR TOWNS	CHURCHES	CLERKS		MINISTERS		MEMBERS			ADMITTED			REMOVED			BAPT.			
		ORG.	REC'D.	NAME	ORD. C'D	MA.	FE.	TO.	C.	L.	AB.	DI.	L.	R.	TO.	AD.	INF.	FAM.
Perry.	1879 1884	Will Strong.		Malcolm G. Powley.	'97 '08	26	64	90	20	1	0	2	0	2	7	4	125	
Pinckney.	1855 1855	H. W. Crofoot.		Albro Griffith Gates.	'07 '07	39	101	140	20	9	7	16	4	6	0	10	1	24
Pine Grove. ^a	1880 1882	Mrs. Ella Soden.		John E. Counter.	'83 '08	36	111	147	31	3	0	0	2	0	2	0	0	25
Pittsford.	1893 1893	Mrs. Frank R. Kedzie.		Wm. Roscoe Kedzie. ^a	'02 '06	90	180	270	16	4	8	12	2	3	0	0	0	100
Pleasanton.	1866 1893	Mrs. Mary A. Taylor. ^b		Wm. J. Campbell.	'06 '10	216	473	689	125	2	8	10	5	16	43	64	2	8400
Pontiac.	1831 1911	Miss Mary Herrington.		[Thos. Cook, Sup.]	'00 '10	10	25	35	12	0	2	2	1	0	1	2	0	340
Port Huron, 1st.	1840 1858	Nicholas Cawthorne.		John Lambrecht.	'00 '10	9	30	39	3	0	2	2	1	2	10	13	0	380
" 24th st.	1894 1903	Clarence Rice.		[Thomas Cook, Lic.]	'20 '09	24	73	97	0	7	5	12	1	1	2	0	0	240
Ross Mem'l.	1896 1897	Frank A. Hamlin.		Charles L. Taylor.	'86 '09	7	20	27	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	4	2	90
Sturgis Mem'l, 1901		Frank Sturgis.		George E. Brown.														50
Portland.	1848 1853	Mrs. Edward LaSelle.		Thos. G. Baxter.	'83 '09	7	13	20	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Port Sanilac.	1854 1854	Mrs. Lilly L. Platt.		[A. B. Lucas, Lic.]	'10 '15	35	47	13	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	35
Potterville.	1872	Mrs. Grace McDole.		[Thos. Ainslie, Lic.]	'10 '27	57	84	15	35	3	3	3	0	3	0	3	0	0
Prattville.	1875 1875	C. F. Lemens.		Robert Farquhar, Caturnet .	'87 '11	38	131	159	10	36	4	40	3	9	0	12	4	1435
Ransom.	1848 1854	O. W. Thompson.		Fred Deighton.	'05 '08	8	25	33	1	16	3	19	1	3	0	4	0	523
Rapid River.	1888 1890	Mrs. John Darrow.		C. E. Taggart.	'86 '11	33	89	122	26	14	14	2	4	0	6	5	0	95
Red Jacket,	1887 1892	Wm. H. Craig, Caturnet .		[A. G. Walton, Lic.]	'41 '15	156	24	11	3	14	1	1	0	2	11	3	112	
Reddige,	1901 1901	Mrs. Eliza Kneebone.		James C. Hageman.	'97 '09	12	83	95	30	2	0	2	2	1	0	3	2	60
Reed City,	1872 1907	C. D. Woodruff.		Clarence Finster.	'78 '08	7	29	36	9	1	0	1	0	1	2	3	0	50
Richmond.	1872 1887	A. E. Fuller.		John F. Hutchinson. ^c	'93 '00	13	26	39	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	32
Rochester.	1827 1874	D. C. S. Serafin.		Henry W. Hunt.	'84 '04	8	13	21	5	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	0	21
Rockford.	1847 1874	Jonathan Sowerby.		Wm. Etheridge.	'97 '07	1	6	7	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	25
Rockwood.	1888 1887	Seward Woodruff.		Wm. J. St. Johns.	'10 '05	10	30	40	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	30
Rodney.	1888 1884	Mrs. C. L. Lardner.		Nelson S. Bradley,	'89 '01	147	369	516	457	6	0	6	1	9	5	15	0	400
Romeo.	1828 1876	Miss Agnes L. Fessenden.		James F. Fryer.	'99 '10	10	26	36	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Rondو.	1855 1885	Mrs. Mary C. Scott.		Matthew Mullens.	'00 '10	72	162	234	91	0	0	2	9	0	11	0	1	150
Roscommon.	1875 1880	Mrs. Jennie M. Price.		Albert H. Stoneman.	'00 '08	71	159	230	49	1	4	5	4	17	0	21	0	150
Rosedale.	1882 1884	John Parker, Brimley .		Matthew Knowles.	'89 '08	71	161	232	24	42	15	57	1	13	3	17	3	200
Royal Oak.	1842 1867	George W. Blackman. ^d		A. J. Blair, Jackson .	'99 '07	27	52	79	20	3	0	0	3	7	0	10	0	30
Saginaw, 1st.	1857 1867	Edward W. Glynn,		[Ralph W. Paul, Lic.]	'10 '10	31	41	3	7	8	15	0	4	11	1	0	0	50
" Genesee St..	1899 1899	Middleton S. Beach.		Geo. W. Brownbeck,	'99 '09	22	58	80	3	1	4	3	2	0	0	0	0	50
St. Clair.	1873 1880	Miss May Coppernoll.		[Henry Johnson, Lic.] ^e	'47	3	7	14	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
St. Johns.	1860 1900	P. E. Walsworth.		Flat Rock.														
St. Joseph.	1854 1859	M. H. Willis.																
Salem, 1st.	1867 1848	Irving W. Hamilton.																
" 2d.	1851 1886	Mrs. Geo. S. Van Sickle,																
Sandstone, Parma, R.D. ^d .	1835 1872	L. L. Wheeler, Parma ,																
Saranac,	1870 1873	Mrs. D. G. Huhn,																
Saugatuck,	1860 1860	James A. Aliber,																
Sawyer,	1888 1878	Mrs. E. K. Baker,																

• Evanston, Ill.

^a Birmingham, R.D. 1.

^b Bear Lake, R.D. 2.

^c Flat Rock.

CHURCHES Places	SUNDAY SCHOOLS		Y. P. S. Mem.	Mens Org.	Wom's Bds.	C. E. Soc.	C. C. B. Soc.	C. H. M. Soc.	A. M. C. S. S. A.	A. M. & P. S. Relief	OFFERINGS FOR THE ZENEVOLENT SOCIETIES		Salaries	Value Ch. Property	Invest. Funds	Amt. of Debt	SALARIES, VALUES, ETC.		
	Superintendents	Mem.									\$25	\$0	\$1	\$4	\$40	\$1	\$6		
Perry.	Will Strong.	100	\$25	\$0	0	0	2	30	0	0	0	32	33	0	\$1,257	\$900	\$6,000	\$200	
Pinckney.	Mrs. Jennie Barton.	80	27	0	0	0	0	30	0	0	0	38	0	0	1,000	800	5,000	1,800	
Pine Grove.	Mrs. Ella Soden.*	20	0	0	0	0	0	5	36	0	1	59	0	0	600	600	4,000	4,000	
Pittsford.	Wm. H. Scott.	205	17	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1,250	1,250	1,200	1,200	
Pleasanton.	James Millard.	25	1	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	1	5	5	0	150	125	1,200	24,000	
Pontiac.	Fred Ebner.	275	20	46	5	84	0	0	51	3	0	3	146	70	15	3,315	1,200	35,000	7,350
Port Huron, 1st.	John E. Coulter.	350	35	103	93	15	27	11	400	66	55	15	682	0	23	3,698	1,500	35,000	7,350
" 24th st.	Clarence Rice.	115	14	40	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	75
" Ross Mem'l.	John Lambrecht.	105	0	0	0	0	0	0	37	0	4	1	42	0	10	820	900	5,000	600
" Sturgis Mem'l.	Thos. Cook.	82	0	0	0	0	0	0	10	4	4	1	19	0	0	525	250	2,000	100
Portland.	Mrs. A. J. Barton.	92	25	0	1	0	0	0	75	1	0	0	91	0	0	972	800	7,500	100
Port Sanilac.	Mrs. Mary Schlichting.								0	5	0	0	6	0	0	0	0	0	1,000
Potterville.	J. F. Farnham.	80	0	0	0	0	0	3	25	0	4	0	0	32	0	0	510	450	1,700
Prattville.	O. W. Thompson.	70	25	10	0	0	0	4	20	4	12	0	0	75	0	0	225	225	2,600
Ransom.	E. L. Scott.	180	68	0	0	0	0	0	56	0	12	0	0	68	0	0	225	180	2,300
Rapid River.	Mrs. Rob't Grierson.	167	39	0	121	0	0	0	32	20	10	0	183	0	0	2,095	1,400	4,500	1,400
Red Jacket.	Thos. Bee.	40	57	0	0	0	0	4	26	0	4	0	0	34	0	0	663	312	3,500
Redbridge.	C. D. Woodruff.	60	20	0	22	0	0	0	66	0	0	0	0	88	0	0	1,348	900	6,000
Reed City.	Miss Ella Hunt.	55	32	22	0	0	0	0	26	0	19	0	0	67	0	0	1,000	850	9,500
Richmond.	O. G. Grabiell.	100	54	0	5	0	0	0	23	0	4	0	0	32	8	0	1,200	800	6,000
Rochester.	Rev. Clarence Finster.	105	9	0	0	0	0	0	5	20	0	8	3	45	0	2	344	150	4,500
Rockford.	Frank Wager.	54	34	0	0	0	0	0	0	10	0	1	0	11	0	0	200	225	3,000
Rockwood.	J. Walter Ferguson.	61	60	6	7	168	31	14	6	953	36	17	1,936	1,000	0	35,000	1,000	600	
Rodney.	Rev. Wm. Etheridge.	136	27	0	0	0	0	5	0	0	0	5	0	0	5	0	0	0	
Roscommon.	Mrs. Schiget.	35	0	0	0	0	0	5	34	0	3	6	48	0	0	366	500	3,500	
Rosedale.	S. Lee Pack.	27	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	400	400	
Royal Oak.	Frank F. Kienfels.	89	24	35	32	0	5	5	5	0	5	8	60	3	15	575	600	2,500	
Regina, 1st.	" Genesee st.	250	150	0	403	0	0	0	396	22	30	5	856	301	1,000	5,120	3,000	50,000	
St. Clair.	R. R. Moore.	162	49	57	152	26	19	139	55	31	19	4	2	10	0	0	39	2,932	1,750
St. Johns.	Rev. Matt Mullen.	160	32	55	6	0	0	104	24	9	10	0	0	208	2	0	2,264	1,200	3,250
St. Joseph.	Mrs. E. W. Cox.	175	100	50	140	0	0	50	144	48	64	0	444	40	0	2,688	1,300	3,500	
Salem, 1st.	Irving W. Hamilton.	60	25	2	0	0	0	3	29	2	0	14	50	0	0	285	200	1,000	
" 2d.	G. H. Whiteman.	35	0	0	11	0	0	0	12	0	5	3	20	0	0	576	400	4,000	
Sandstone.	Benj. Turnbull.	57	0	0	11	0	0	0	66	0	0	1	78	0	0	436	350	5,000	
Saranac.	Allen Cobb.	100	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	25	0	0	30	0	0	800	700	6,500	
Saugatuck,	John Schaburg.	70	20	9	0	0	0	0	42	0	0	0	51	0	0	1,544	700	8,000	
Sawyer.	E. H. Bauer.	75	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	235	

* No parsonage.

* Savant Ste. Marie, R.D. 2.

at Ann Arbor, R.P. I.

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[†] Missionary aid to salary. * No parsonage.
^b **Marie Beach.**

by Merle Beach.

in Clarksville.

CITIES OR TOWNS	ORG.	CLERKS		MINISTERS			MEMBERS			ADMITTED			REMOVED			BAPT.		
		REC'D.	REC'D.	Names	Ord.	C'd.	Ma.	Fe.	To.	C.	L.	To.	Dr.	L.	R.	To.	Ad.	Int.
White Rock,	1879			Mrs. L. Carpenter,	'06	'11	14	28	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Williamston,	1879	1878		John E. Wiggins,	'10	12	23	42	15	0	0	1	1	0	2	0	0	
Wolverine,	1883	1885		Mrs. F. E. Welch,	'95	'08	36	106	45	0	0	1	12	9	22	0	0	
Wyandotte,	1892	1902		E. A. Mellencamp,	'97	'01	70	163	142	8	1	8	9	1	10	11	6	
Ypsilanti,	1881	1900		Arthur G. Beach,					233	38	3	18	5	6	21	32	2	
																	160	

NAME OF STATE ORGANIZATION: MICHIGAN CONGREGATIONAL CONFERENCE. NAMES OF CHURCHES ADDED: Elmdale; Ironwood; Muskegon, Jackson st.; Sawyer.

NAMES OF CHURCHES DROPPED: Alpine Center; Berryville; Cedar Run; East Newton; Excelsior; Jerome; Kinderhook; Luzerne; Nahma; Ryno; St. Ignace; Sugar Island; Tawas City; Whiteford Center.

CHURCHES: Supplied by, — Pastors installed, 8; pastors recognized, 2; licentiates, 41; supplies, 21; vacant, 85. Total, 320.

MINISTERS: Pastors installed, 8; pastors recognized, 2; pastors, 173; supplying churches, 21. Total, 204. Without charge, 84. Total number of ministers, 288. MEMBERSHIP: No. of males, 10,293; No. of females, 21,174. Total, 32,467. Absent, 4,798. Additions, — on confession, 1,218; by letter, 950. Total, 2,168. Removals, — death, 391; dismissal, 965; revision, 1,401. Total, 2,557.

BAPTISMS: Adults, 556; infants, 708.

FAMILIES: 26,634.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS: Members, 33,892.

CHURCHES Places	SUNDAY SCHOOLS		OFFERINGS FOR THE BENEVOLENT SOCIETIES												SALARIES, VALUES, ETC.				
	Superintendent	Mem	Y. P. Mens S. Mem	Mens Org	A. B. C. F. M.	Wom's Soc.	C. E. Bus.	C. C. B. Soc.	C. H. M. A. A.	A. M. & P. S.	C. S. S. Relief	Totals	Con-	Con-	Home Exp.	Salaries	Value Ch.	Invest.	Amt. of Debt
White Rock.	J. E. Wiggins,	64			\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Williamston.	Arthur W. Edwards,	85			0	0	0	0	40	0	5	0	48	16	0				
Wolverine.	W. P. Bowen,	175	46	30	0	15	0	0	39	0	0	0	54	20	0	2,250	1,200	*32,330	375
Wyandotte.		135	25	55	80	78	0	0	133	0	1	5	297	153	85	2,800	1,400	20,000	
Ypsilanti.																			

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YOUNG PEOPLE'S SOCIETIES: Societies, 121; members, 5,225.

MEN'S ORGANIZATIONS: Societies, 55; members, 3,122.

CONTRIBUTIONS: American Board (churches, 113), \$5,461; Woman's Board (110), \$6,756; Congregational Education Society (40), \$628; Congregational Church Building Society (114), \$1,447; Congregational Home Missionary Society (268), \$14,357; American Missionary Association (91), \$2,278; Congregational Sunday School and Publishing Society (198), \$2,230; Ministerial Relief (89), \$1,030.

Total (290), \$34,187. Other and special Congregational gifts, \$19,930; undesignated offerings, \$6,020. Grand total (291), \$60,137.

HOME EXPENSES: No. of churches reporting, 266; amount, \$345,287.

INCREASE: Value of Property, \$486,245.

DECREASE: Churches, 10; Members, 389; Sunday School Members, 2,729; Young People's Societies of Christian Endeavor, 810; Benevolence, \$35,640; Expense, \$15,629; Amount of Debt, \$11,624.

YEARS.	Churches.	Ministers.	MEMBERS.				BAPTISMS.			Number in Sunday Schools.	Number in V. P. S. C. E.	Families.	Benevolences.	Home Expenditures.
			Males.	Females.	Total.	Gain.	Loss.	Absent.	Adult.					
1845	53	31	941	1,173	2,114	978	218	71	1,864					
1846	53	43	.....	.....	2,332	1,193	.....	94	2,229					
1847	81	63	.....	.....	3,525	1,307	.....	.....	3,264					
1848	87	72	.....	.....	3,832	442	.....	.....	3,991					
1849	83	70	.....	.....	4,274	660	.....	.....	4,461					
1850	101	87	.....	.....	4,934	63	.....	.....	.....		
1851	106	72	.....	.....	5,387	475	.....	.....	.....		
1852	110	92	.....	.....	5,462	475	.....	.....	.....		
1853	109	88	.....	.....	5,396	66	.....	.....	.....		
1854	115	89	.....	.....	6,188	792	.....	.....	.....		
1855	118	105	.....	.....	6,763	680	.....	.....	.....		
1856	130	101	2,756	4,499	7,255	7,437	182	673	163	6,508				
1857	129	100	2,804	4,633	7,457	182	687	733	123	7,278				
1858	129	110	2,864	4,851	7,842	405	.....	883	101	6,947				
1859	134	124	2,993	5,197	8,190	348	1,02	191	128	7,441				
1860	146	114	3,030	5,397	8,427	237	1,015	145	154	8,308				
1861	141	131	2,978	5,394	8,372	55	1,107	162	132	9,082				
1862	150	132	3,206	5,718	8,924	552	1,141	309	151	8,645				
1863	155	138	3,429	6,152	9,581	687	1,152	1,141	10,142	10,142				
1864	164	140	3,674	6,449	10,123	512	1,024	930	445	162	10,086			
1865	175	145	3,915	6,969	10,884	761	1,024	910	310	12,150				
1866	176	151	4,129	7,414	11,541	657	1,024	906	396	188	16,211			
1867	173	156	4,258	7,226	11,984	413	1,168	441	374	198	15,959			
1868	179	156	4,417	7,929	12,346	362	1,355	916	116	16,331				
1869	173	4,485	8,140	12,625	279	1,488	229	168	144	16,069				
1870	196	176	4,755	8,506	13,561	636	1,610	352	163	18,856				
1871	199	174	4,718	8,491	13,209	52	1,443	403	214	18,001				
1872	196	175	4,940	8,995	13,935	726	1,603	609	214	16,860				
1873	179	156	5,606	10,101	15,706	1,761	1,622	1,048	265	18,854				
1874	224	188	5,908	11,003	16,911	1,205	1,757	964	253	21,227				
1875	233	196	5,993	11,149	17,12	231	2,120	525	222	20,946				
1876	204	6,04	11,019	17,064	17,117	78	2,416	374	215	20,925				
1877	248	206	5,936	11,181	17,117	53	2,442	246	247	22,231				
1878	255	219	5,785	11,172	16,957	160	2,446	282	282	21,496				
1879	263	233	5,975	11,534	17,509	522	2,421	443	279	23,863				
1880	236	204	6,233	11,997	18,230	721	2,611	502	257	25,969				
1881	245	245	6,651	12,419	18,670	440	2,593	578	327	30,975				
1882	248	241	6,649	13,156	19,805	1,195	2,546	837	340	29,364				
1883	255	219	7,149	14,089	21,238	1,433	2,516	1,106	331	30,092				
1884	257	238	7,260	14,382	21,632	394	2,718	627	243	29,879				
1885	261	248	7,440	15,204	22,644	1,012	2,670	851	362	31,413				
1886	269	245	7,672	16,149	23,227	563	3,178	907	379	32,000				
1887	281	241	7,900	16,771	24,671	850	3,228	866	351	32,115				
1888	288	242	7,149	14,089	21,238	1,433	2,516	1,106	331	30,092				
1889	273	248	7,440	15,204	22,644	1,012	2,670	851	362	31,413				
1890	314	262	7,612	16,771	23,227	563	3,178	907	379	32,000				
1891	320	287	7,672	16,149	23,821	633	3,228	866	351	32,115				
1892	321	290	7,900	16,771	24,671	850	3,278	966	439	38,771				
1893	307	8,399	17,704	26,103	1,432	3,254	698	410	38,158	8,304	19,090	90,258	349,577	
1894	310	9,037	19,011	28,148	2,045	3,338	1,362	532	40,032	9,568	21,077	110,302	380,365	
1895	342	9,576	20,346	29,922	1,744	3,511	1,512	600	42,939	11,507	21,986	72,629	316,459	
1896	347	9,826	20,774	30,600	678	3,938	1,141	640	30,600	13,769	22,029	69,743	303,388	

YEARS.	Churches.	Ministers.	MEMBERS.						BAPTISMS.	Number in Sunday Schools.	Number in Y. P. S. C. E.	Families	Benevolences.	Home Expenditures.
			Males.	Females.	Total.	Gain.	Loss.	Absent.						
1897	291	10,282	21,340	31,622	1,022	3,637	1,102	595	42,110	14,602	22,568	\$61,987	\$279,714	
1898	302	10,463	21,914	32,377	755	3,722	892	597	42,684	14,305	22,795	57,702	389,442	
1899	291	10,309	21,693	32,022	365	3,689	638	493	40,928	14,026	24,067	80,554	269,368	
1900	305	10,368	21,820	32,183	161	3,670	669	510	39,780	13,978	24,523	81,888	289,870	
1901	303	10,198	21,771	31,969	214	4,262	762	629	38,437	11,902	24,872	107,351	319,066	
1902	307	10,371	22,276	32,647	678	4,434	846	605	37,647	10,524	25,496	79,566	318,063	
1903	301	10,492	22,372	32,864	217	4,938	638	514	37,314	9,930	25,613	88,080	342,898	
1904	281	10,285	22,072	32,357	507	4,868	543	666	36,473	8,799	25,801	127,332	341,933	
1905	257	10,132	21,796	31,928	429	4,756	574	615	35,677	8,242	28,353	99,857	378,880	
1906	275	10,250	22,153	32,408	475	4,575	698	658	36,803	7,479	26,335	96,834	327,220	
1907	288	10,262	22,217	32,479	76	4,871	756	641	36,941	7,472	28,574	90,563	347,791	
1908	280	10,267	22,192	32,459	20	4,928	579	661	35,962	6,873	27,642	108,748	405,282	
1909	284	10,443	22,505	32,948	489	4,754	686	697	36,744	6,413	25,683	73,254	382,801	
1910	286	10,234	22,292	32,888	110	4,624	735	698	36,621	6,085	25,915	95,777	360,916	
1911	288	10,268	21,174	32,467	371	4,798	556	708	33,892	5,225	6,634	60,137	345,287	

CHURCHES UNITED IN SUPPORT OF A PASTOR.

CHURCH	UNITED WITH
Ada, 1st	East Paris.
Alamo	Kendall.
Allendale	Bass River.
Allenville	Brimley.
Athens	Leonidas.
Atlanta	Big Rock and Lewiston.
Bangor, 1st	Bangor, West.
Bangor, West	Bangor, First.
Bass River	Allendale.
Beacon Hill	Redridge.
Belford	Grand Blanc.
Bethel	Bronson.
Big Prairie	White Cloud.
Big Rapids, 1st	Big Rapids, Township.
Big Rock	Atlanta and Lewiston.
Bradley	Hopkins, 1st and Wayland.
Bridgman	Sawyer.
Brimley	Allenville.
Bronson	Bethel.
Buckley	Sheridan.
Butternut	Crystal.
Carmel	Chester Station.
Carsonville	Port Sanilac.
Cedar	Maple City and Lake Ann.
Cedar Springs	East Nelson.
Central Lake	Ellsworth.
Ceresco	Fredonia.
Charlevoix	Ironton.
Chesterfield	New Haven.
Chester Station	Carmel.
Chippewa Lake	Rodney.
Clarksville	Elmdale and Freeport.
Cleon and Marilla	Copemish and Thompsonville.
Coloma	Watervliet.
Columbus	Richmond.
Cooks	Isabella and Nahma.
Copemish	Thompsonville, Cleon-Marilla.
Coral	Howard City.
Corinth	Moline.
Crystal	Butternut.
Custer	Fern.
Deerfield	Linden and Tyrone.
East Gilead	Algansee.
Eastlake	Onekema and Pleasanton.
Eastmanville	Lamont.
East Nelson	Cedar Springs.
East Paris	Ada, 1st.
Edmore	Six Lakes.
Ellsworth	Central Lake.

CHURCH.	UNITED WITH
Fayette	Garden.
Fenwick	Sheridan, Sidney and Shiloh.
Fern	Ouster.
Flat Rock	Newport and Rockwood.
Fredonia	Ceresco.
Freeport	Clarksville ahd Elmdale.
Garden	Fayette.
Gladstone	Wells.
Grand Blanc	Belford.
Grand Haven	Nunica.
Grandville	Jenison.
Hamburg	Pinckney.
Hartland	Highland.
Hetherton	Johannesburg.
Highland	Hartland.
Hilliards	Hopkins, Second.
Homestead	Honor.
Honor	Homestead.
Hopkins, First	Wayland and Bradley.
Hopkins, Second	Hilliards.
Howard City	Coral,
Hubbell	Lake Linden.
Ironton	Charlevoix.
Isabella	Cooks and Nahma.
Jackson, Plymouth	Sandstone.
Jefferson	Ransom.
Jenison	Grandville.
Johannesburg	Hetherton.
Kendall	Alamo.
Kenton	Trout Creek.
Laingsburg	Victor.
Lake Ann	Cedar and Maple City.
Lake Linden	Hubbell.
Lamont	Eastmanville.
Lansing, Mayflower	Milletts.
Leonidas	Athens.
Lewiston	Atlanta and Big Rock.
Linden	Tyrone.
Lowell	South Boston.
Maple City	Cedar and Lake Ann.
Milletts	Lansing, Mayflower.
Moline	Corinth.
Muskegon, Highland Park	Muskegon, Jackson Street.
Muskegon, Jackson Street	Muskegon, Highland Park.
Nahma	Cooks and Isabella.
Nevins Lake	Stanton and Westville.
New Haven	Chesterfield.
Newport	Flat Rock and Rockwood.
Nunica	Grand Haven.
Omena	Suttons Bay.
Onekema	Eastlake and Pleasanton,
Perry	Shaftsburg.
Pinckney	Hamburg.
Pleasanton	Eastlake and Onekema.
Pine Grove	Rosedale.

CHURCH.	UNITED WITH
Port Huron, Sturgis Memorial	Port Huron, 24th Street.
Port Huron, 24th Street	Port Huron, Sturgis Memorial
Port Sanilac	Carsonville.
Ransom	Jefferson.
Redridge	Beacon Hill.
Richmond	Columbus.
Rockwood	Flat Rock and Newport.
Rodney	Chippewa Lake.
Rondo	Wolverine.
Rosedale	Pine Grove.
Salem, 1st	Salem, 2nd.
Salem, 2nd	Salem, 1st.
Sandstone	Jackson, Plymouth.
Shaftsbury	Perry.
Sheridan	Fenwick, Sidney and Shiloh.
Sherman	Buckley.
Shiloh	Fenwick, Sheridan and Sidney.
Sidney	Fenwick, Sheridan and Shiloh.
Six Lakes	Edmore.
South Boston	Lowell.
Stanton	Nevins Lake and Westville.
Suttons Bay	Omena.
Thompsonville	Copemish, Oleon-Marilla.
Trout Creek	Kenton.
Tyrone	Linden and Deerfield.
Victor	Laingsburg.
Watervliet	Coloma.
Wayland	Hopkins, First and Bradley.
Wells	Gladstone.
Westville	Stanton and Nevins Lake
White Cloud	Big Prairie.
Wolverine	Rondo.

NAMES OF MINISTERS

CONNECTED WITH THE MICHIGAN CONGREGATIONAL CONFERENCE, WITH DATE OF ORDINATION, POSTOFFICE ADDRESS, AND THE INITIALS OF THE LOCAL ASSOCIATIONS WITH WHICH THEY ARE CONNECTED.

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Name.	Date of Ordination.	Residence.	Association.
Adams, Robert	1876, July 27	Harlan	G. T.
Allen, William C.	1878, Oct. 9	Leslie	J.
Allington, A. A.	1906, May 26	Traverse City	G. T.
Appleton, Harry	1891, Mar. 18	S. S. Marie	S. S. M.
Ashby, John H.	1878, Jan. 21	Ovid	Gen.
Atkins, Doane R.	1877,	So. Haven	L. S.
Ayer, Edwin I.	1883, Aug. 29	Traverse City	G. T.
Bagnall, Frederick	1886, June 17	Hart	M.
Banister, Charles D.	1886, June 16	Merrill	S.
Barrett, Mandus	1908, Dec. 1	Hancock	L. S.
Baxter, Thomas G.	1883, Mar. 19	Prattville	So.
Beach, Arthur G.	1897, Oct. 19	Ypsilanti	J.
Bell, Ira W.	1874, Sept. 20	Pittsford, R. D.	So.
Benford, George	1881, Aug. 31	Grand Blanc	Gen.
Bennett, Thomas E.	1907, May 14	Vernon	Gen.
Bentall, Alfred	1902, May 18	Northport	G. T.
Binkhorst, Arie	1895, Apr. 25	Oody, Wyo.	L.
Bishop, Edwin W.	1898, Nov. 11	Grand Rapids	G. R.
Blair, Allen J.	1899, Aug. 29	Jackson	J.
Blair, David G.	1892, Feb. 1	Michigan City, Ind	N. O.
Bliss, John	1863, Sept. 16	Crystal	L.
Bodman, Frederick H.	1905, May 27	Battle Creek	J.
Bradley, Nelson S.	1889, Mar. 12	Saginaw	S.
Brown, G. E.	1908, Sept. 29	Carsonville	L.
Brown, Victor F.	1898,	Bay City	S.
Brownback, George W.	1899, June 18	Saugatuck	G. R.
Bunker, Fred R.	1888, Sept. 8	Medfield, Mass.	L.
Burtt, Benjamin H.	1889, July 23	Ludington	N. O.
Bush, Fred R.	1902, June 10	Middleville	G. R.
Bush, Fred W.	1871, May 16	Hopkins	K.
Calhoun, Charles S.	1901, Sept. 12	Dexter	J.
Campbell, William J.	1906, Sept. 26	Port Huron	E.
Chapin, Franklin M.	1880, May 20	Vanderbilt	C.
Childs, William	1891, June 24	Kalkaska	C.
Clafin, John	1886, Nov. 16	Eaton Rapids	J.
Clutterbuck, J. G.	1899, Apr. 26	Armada	E.
Coate Henry	1874, July 8	Morenci	So.
Cochlin, Demas	1890, Dec. 2	Traverse City	G. T.
Cole, G. Henry	1909, June 16	Wolverine	C.
Colledge, William A.	1885, May 2	Chicago, Ill.	N. O.
Collin, Henry P.	1869, Nov. 25	Coldwater	So.
Collins, Edrie	1909, Oct. 19	Belding	L.
Coman, George H.	1910, Oct. 27	Breckenridge	S.

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Corbett, Fred W.	1892, Sept. 18	Lansing	L.
Corey, Ephriam M.	1872, Feb. 22	Bellaire	C.
Coulter, Cyrenius N.	1867, Sept. 19	Traverse City	G. T.
Courter, John E.	1888, Oct. 18	Pittsford	So.
Crawford, O. D.	1872, Nov. 1	Hersey	N. C.
Crips, Philip M.	1878, Sept. 15	Grand Rapids	G. R.
Curtis, Anson B.	1886, Sept. 12	Speer, Ill.	L.
Daniels, Joseph L.	1876, Apr. 27	Tyron, No. Car.	L.
Dean, Frederick A.	1896, Nov. 18	Clayton	L.
Deighton, Fred	1909, Apr. 22	Redridge	I. S.
Denny, Walter B.	1910, Nov. 22	Three Oaks	K.
Dell, George W.	1885, Oct. 25	Nichols, N. Y.	L.
DePuy, Wellington	1884, Dec. 11	Grand Ledge	L.
Dickinson, W. B.	1906, May 18	Kalamazoo	K.
Diefenbach, Arthur C.	1908, Nov. 9	Benton Harbor	K.
Donovan, John L.	1905, Aug. 9	Chicago, Ill.	C.
D'Ooge, Martin L.	1878, Oct. 16	Ann Arbor	J.
Duff, Ralph J.	1873, Apr. 25	Detroit	E.
Elliot, Chas.	1901, June	Wyanet, Ill.	K.
Endy, George P.	1902, Oct. 30	Almont	So.
Eppens, Edward H.	1898, June 28	Memphis	E.
Erskine, John W.	1900, Dec. 4	Evart	S.
Etheridge, William	1897, Apr. 7	Roscommon	S. S. M.
Evans, Ernest	1895, Sept. 15	Flint	Gen.
Fairbanks, Arthur	1892, Jan.	Boston, Mass.	J.
Fellows, C. B.	1878, June 25	Grand Rapids	G. R.
Finster, Clarence	1878, Mar. 21	Rockford	G. R.
Foote, J. E.		Grand Ledge	L.
Forbush, William Byron	1892, Feb. 18	Detroit	D.
Foster, Frank H.	1877, Sept. 12	Olivet	L.
France, Parvin M.	1873, Oct. 12	Coloma	K.
Frost, Lewis C.	1895, June 26	Standish	S.
Fryer, James F.	1899, July 11	St. Clair	E.
Fulkerson, Frank	1902, Feb. 22	Grand Haven	M.
Gadd, William W.	1888, Sept. 15	Athens	E.
Gates, A. C.	1907, Sept. 3	Pinckney	J.
Gibson, John C.	1898, May 6	Detroit	Gen.
Gillespie, John S.	1896, July 3	Sturgis	So.
Gillett, William R.	1885, Aug. 29	Chicago, Ill.	E.
Glasson, Joseph	1878, Sept. 20	Ypsilanti	C.
Goldsmith, Robert	1909,	East Lansing	L.
Goodrich, Darius N.	1865, June 19	Olivet	L.
Gordon, Robert	1887, Mar. 25	Somerset Center	So.
Grant, M. Lee	1901, June 5	Chelsea	J.
Greene, Chester W.	1889,	Linden	Gen.
Grieshaber, Charles O.	1897, May 7	Grand Rapids	G. R.
Griggs, R. Eugene	1890,	Covert	So.
Grinnell, Eugene I.		Mulliken	L.
Hadden, Archibald	1880, Dec. 15	Muskegon	M.
Hageman, James C.	1897, Feb. 23	Rochester	D.
Hague, L. E.	1903, Aug. 30	Conklin	G. R.
Halliday, James F.		Greenville	G. R.
Hancock, George H.	1886, Apr. 7	Grand Rapids	G. R.
Hanks, Carlos H.	1888, Sept. 21	Owosso	Gen.

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Harger, Charles H.	1893, June 27	Benzonia	G. T.
Harbridge, Edward H.	1884, Sept. 1	Holly	L.
Harbridge, Clara L.	1893, July 19	Holly	L.
Harvey Edward H.	1872, May	Paw Paw	K.
Hatfield, George B.	1903,	Lansing	L.
Hawley, Calvin F.	1854, April	Alpha, Ill.	Gl.
Heator, George W.	1886, Sept. 12	Cadillac	N. C.
Holbrook, David L.	1877, July 19	Union City	J.
Holman, David A.	1891, Apr. 14	Grand Rapids	G. R.
Holmes, Thomas	1844, Nov. 3	Chelsea	J.
Houston Robert	1891, May 13	Johannesburg	G. T.
Huget, J. Percival	1900,	Detroit	D.
Hunt, Henry W.	1884, Sept. 17	Romeo	E.
Husted, John T.	1868, Oct. 4	Grand Rapids	G. R.
Hutchinson, John F.	1893, Nov. 8	Flat Rock	D.
Imrie, Andrew B.	1906, Nov. 8	Whitehall	M.
Jacobs, William J.	1896, Sept. 1	Detroit	D.
Jones, Ira B.	1879, Sept. 1	Toledo, O.	G. R.
Jones, C. W.	1894, Sept. 16	Wyandotte	D.
Kedzie, William Roscoe	1902, July 11	Pontiac	D.
Kelley, Samuel E.	1894, June 3	Allegan	N. C.
Kempton, A. Joseph	1901, Sept. 18	Addison	So.
Kent, L. G.	1896,	Kibbie	
King, Walter D.	1881, Nov. 16	South Haven	G. R.
Kinney, George W.	1898, Sept. 5	Baldwin	N. C.
Kirkland, L. A.	1899, Nov. 27	Bellaire	O.
Knowles, Matthew	1889, Oct. 31	Salem	J.
Kozielek, Paul	1905, May 29	Detroit	D.
Lambrecht, John	1900, Sept. 7	Port Huron	E.
Lancaster, Ellsworth G.	1889, Sept. 19	Olivet	L.
Lanphear, Nathaniel D.	1876, Nov. 14	Olivet	L.
Lansbrough, J. F.	1900,	Linden	L.
Lash, Abraham H.	1896, Aug. 12	Bronson	So.
Lathan, Ernest R.	1892, Sept. 22	Clinton	So.
Lee, Lucius O.	1875, Nov. 17	Nashville, Tenn.	Gen.
Lewis, Jacob H.	1863, Sept. 27	Freeland	S.
Lillie, Isaac B.	1886, Aug. 31	Battle Creek	G. R.
Linkletter, Elihu	1876, Aug. 17	Benzonia	G. T.
Long, Clarence W.	1902, Apr. 4		K.
Long, Luther K.	1883, Sept. 9	Calumet	L. S.
McComas, Henry C.	1900, Oct. 19	Cambridge, Mass.	N. C.
McConnell, Herbert	1898, Jan. 26	Grand Rapids	G. R.
McNair, David C.	1879, Oct. 30	Wayne	D.
McRoberts, Thomas R.	1891, June 25	Oberlin, Ohio	L.
Massey, William J.	1896, Sept. 20	Big Rapids, R. D.	L.
Millar, William	1892, Sept. 22	Grand Rapids	K.
Miller, C. Perry	1884, Oct. 5	Montrose	L.
Millington, E. J.	1908, May 7	Cadillac	N. C.
Mills, Harlow S.	1877, June 5	Benzonia	G. T.
Minty, William A.	1901, Nov. 19	Belvidere, Ill.	L.
Mitchell, William	1910, Sept. 27	Carson City	L.
Mitchell, William	1857, Nov. 4	Detroit	D.
Morehouse, Ezra S.	1894, Jan. 30	Kalamazoo	K.
Morris, Samuel T.	1890, Oct. 28	Grand Rapids	G. R.
Myers, Noah J.	1886, Aug. 28	Chicago	N. C.

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Myline, George W.	1902, Jan. 12	Laingsburg	Gen.
Ogg, William D.	1899, Oct. 20	Lowell	G. R.
Ollis, F. W.		Mancelona	C.
Omans, Chester C.	1891, Aug. 30	White Cloud	M.
Ostrander, Lincoln	1897, Aug. 5	Flint, R. D.	Gen.
Otis, James A.	1899, Dec. 20	Grand Junction	K.
Otis, Norman L.	1859, Sept. 18	Palo	L.
Parker, Thomas	1870, Oct. 24	Grandville	G. R.
Parmiter, Charles A.	1910, Aug.	Genoa Junction, Wis.	G. R.
Parsons, St. Olare	1908, Dec. 15	Vermontville	L.
Patchell, Charles T.	1890, April 2	Charlotte	L.
Patton, Carl S.	1892, Sept. 28	Columbus, O.	J.
Pierce, Nathan W.	1869, Sept. 5	Linden	Gen.
Pillsbury, F. C.		Detroit	D.
Pinch, Fred	1909, Mar. 16	Addison	So.
Pollard, George A.	1855, Sept. 26	Grand Rapids	G. R.
Pomeroy, Albert E.	1898, Sept. 4	Saginaw	S.
Povey, Jesse	1865, June	Chassel	L. S.
Powley, Malcolm G.	1897, May 2	Perry	Gen.
Prestidge, William J.	1902, July 14	Lake Odessa	L.
Preston, Jared R.	1865, June 22	North Adams	So.
Preston, William F.	1887, Sept. 10	Jackson	L.
Putnam, Holden A.	1886, Oct. 7	Charlevoix	C.
Rich, Ulysses G.	1889, Apr. 18	Dowagiac	C.
Richie, David H.	1889, Aug. 14	Shelby	M.
Robbins, Benson C.	1885, Sept. 6	Freesoil	G. T.
Robinson, Clarence E.	1906, May 7	Williamston	L.
Robinson, James M.	1878, Sept 8	Detroit	D.
Rowland, Levi P.	1896, Oct. 26	Grand Rapids	G. R.
St. John, W. I.	1910, Oct. 25	Royal Oak	D.
Sanderson, John P.	1876, Aug. 20	Sandusky, Ohio	L.
Sargent, William H.	1899, Oct. 16	Chicago, Ill.	E.
Sass, F. W.	1909, Oct. 12	Muskegon	M.
Schermerhorn, Peter	1884, Aug. 25	Onondaga	L.
Scouten, M. F.	1886,	Durand	M.
Seaver, Charles H.	1877, Dec. 29	Wilson, Kas.	G. R.
Secord, Albert	1900, Sept. 6	Brecksville, Ohio	L.
Seiler, Galen W.	1870, June 15	Hillsdale	K.
Shannon, William H.	1881, Nov. 8	East Leroy	So.
Sherwood John W.	1899, Sept. 7	Howard City	G. R.
Skeele, A. F.	1882, Feb. 21	Olivet	L.
Skentlebury, Wm. H.	1875, July 7	Dundee	K.
Smith, A. F.	1883, Sept. 28	Freeland	S.
Smits, Bastian	1884, Aug. 29	Jackson	J.
Snelgrove, Andrew H.	1881, Oct. 2	Olivet	L.
Snyder, Henry C.	1888, July 20	Morrice	K.
Soule, A. F.	1906, Sept. 3	Gettysburg, S. D.	L.
Speer, Gorton C.	1910, May 4	Honor	G. T.
Sprague, Frederick P.	1896, Feb. 10	Vermontville	L.
Staley, John J.	1894, April 4	Manistee	G. T.
Stapleton, Robert	1877, Jan. 28	Saginaw	S.
Stapleton, Robert S.	1897, Aug. 30	Erzroom, Turkey	G. R.
Steensma, Wm.	1910, April 12	Shelby	M.
Stevens, Wilmot E.	1900, Feb. 27	Constantine	K.

Name.	Date of Ordination.	Residence.	Association.
Stevenson, W. D. J.	1885, Aug. 26	Watervliet	K.
Stone, Edward P.	1861, Oct. 15	Rutland, Vt.	E.
Stoneman, Albert H.	1900, June 26	St. Joseph	K.
Strickland, George D.	1889, April 30	Drummond	S. S. M.
Stuart, Irving W.	1904, Sept. 8	Alpena	S.
Stubbins, T. A.	1899,	Cheboygan	C.
Sutherland, John W.	1876, Sept. 3	Lansing	D.
Sweet, Milo J.	1900, Feb. 6	Hudson	So.
Swing, Albert T.	1878, June 25	Oberlin, O.	D.
Taggart, Charles E.	1886, July 14	Reed City	So.
Taylor, Charles I.	1886, Nov. 8	Portland	L.
Terborgh, Isaac	1894, Oct. 17	Brant, Alberta	K.
Thompson, Karl O.	1907, April 3	Grand Rapids	G. R.
Thompson, Alex.	1887,	Grand Rapids	G. R.
Townsend, J. C.	1901, Sept. 18	Norwalk, Ohio	D.
Tripp, Ira J.	1901, Oct. 9	Yampa, Col.	So.
Truman, Daniel	1887, June 17	Newaygo	M.
Turner, James M.	1911, April 25	Utica	D.
Upham, Clement	1906, May 9	Central Lake	C.
Van Auken, Abram	1879, Feb. 28	Vanderbilt	G. T.
Vaughan, Stephen	1895, May 18	Frankfort	G. T.
Walker, John T.	1889, July 1	Creston, Iowa	K.
Walker, William H.	1894, Oct. 18	South Haven	K.
Wall, Arthur A.	1883, Sept. 26	Gridley, Ill.	J.
Wallace, Mac H.	1888, Sept. 12	Detroit	D.
Warren, Leroy	1882, Oct. 12	Old Mission	G. T.
Warren, Wm. H.	1869, Dec. 7	Detroit	D.
Waters, W. L.	1908, Dec. 1	Cambridge, Mass.	L.
Wellwood, Samuel D.	1896, Nov. 24	Grass Lake	J.
Whitcomb, George C.	1878, Sept 21	Coldwater	So.
Wiedenhoeft, William	1889, Dec. 16	Stanton	L.
Williams, Theodore C.	1901, Sept. 6	Imlay City	E.
Williams, Wolcott B.	1854, Feb. 3	Charlotte	L.
Williamson, James S.	1900,	Lansing	L.
Willoughby, A. S.	1890, Oct. 29	Three Rivers	N. C.
Wilson, Henry	1877, Jan. 4	Covert	K.
Wisse, I.	1905, Oct. 17	Grand Rapids	M.
Woodmansee, F. M.	1899, Nov. 18	Custer	N. C.

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H. Johnson, Bridgman.

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Harold Heafield, Johannesburg.
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W. A. A. Shipway, Clare.

W. Parker, Freeport.

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